

OBITUARIES

Luther Philip Baker III

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Luther Philip Baker III, 59, resident of Kings Mountain, NC, passed away on Monday, Oct. 10, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.



He was born on Oct. 22, 1951 in Cleveland County to Ruby Hughes Baker and the late Luther Philip Baker, Jr. and was grandson of the late Dr. and Mrs. L.P. Baker, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Hughes.

A graduate of Kings Mountain High School, he studied History at N. C. State College. He was employed for 30 years by Cleveland County as a communications technician. Recognized as an avid photographer, he taught photography at Cleveland Community College for many years. He was a life-long member of Resurrection Lutheran Church fulfilling many positions within the church including the church choir and church treasurer.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his sister, Mary Ellen Abernathy of Grover; niece, Cathy Schmieg, Plano, TX; aunts, Peggy Fulford and Mary Louise Baker; uncle, Bob Hughes and wife, Sue; numerous cousins and life-long friends.

The family will receive friends Wednesday evening, Oct. 12, at Harris Funeral

Home in Kings Mountain from 6-8 p.m.

The funeral service will be conducted Thursday, Oct. 13, at 4 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Rev. Hobby Outeen will officiate and interment will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, KM Hospice House, 951 Wendover Heights Dr. Shelby, NC 28150 or Resurrection Lutheran Church, 600 Crescent Circle, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com.

Harris Funeral Home of Kings Mountain is in charge of arrangements.

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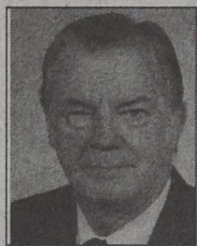
Gerald Cochran

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Gerald D. Cochran, 69, died Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011, at Gaston Memorial Hospital in Gastonia.

The funeral service was conducted Friday, Oct. 7, at 4 p.m. in Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home. Marc Caskey officiated and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Clyde Conner

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Clyde Ezra Conner, 86, of 102 Heather Lane, died peacefully on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, at Rutherford Regional Medical Center in Rutherfordton.



Born in Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Charlie Pinkney Conner and Florence Morrison Conner and was also preceded in death by brothers, Fred Conner, Johnny Conner, Ernest Conner, and sisters, Pearl Bates, Ethel Neal,

Eunice Lovelace, Bertha Blalock and Ada Conner.

He retired from the textile industry and was a veteran of the United States Army Air Force during World War II where he served as an aircraft mechanic in the 23rd Fighter Squadron.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years Joyce Price Conner of the home; sons, Mike Williamson and wife, Pat, of Mount Holly and Greg Conner of Atlanta, Ga.; daughter, Kathy Conner Henry and husband, Chris, of Orcas Island, Wash.; brothers, James Bill Conner and wife, Hazel of Greenville, SC, and Gene Conner of Blacksburg, SC; sisters, Betty Bolin and Bonnie Bolin, both of Blacksburg, SC; and grandchildren, Benjamin Cody Henry and Austin Elijah Henry.

The funeral service was conducted Saturday, Oct. 8, at 11 a.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home, Rev. Dennis Petro officiating. The graveside service was held Monday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m. at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens in Wilmington, N.C.

The family received friends Friday, Oct. 7, from 6-8 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain.

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Johnny Wray Conner

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Johnny Wray Conner, 78, of 102 Battleground Road, died Sunday, Sept. 25, 2011, at White Oak Manor in Kings Mountain.



He

was born on June 6, 1933, in Gaston County to the late James Ervin Conner and Ethel Cabe Conner and was also preceded in death by his sister, Betty Payne and brother, Clyde Ervin Conner.

A carpenter, he served in the United States Navy. He was a man who loved his family and was a member of Temple Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

Surviving are his wife of 58 years, Donnie Vee Cooke Conner of the home; sons, Johnny Conner and wife, Janice of Kings Mountain and Donnie Conner and wife, Dawn of Gastonia; daughters, Lynn Williams and husband, Danny of Six Mile, S.C., Sandra Randolph and husband, Mickey of Boiling Springs, N.C., Sheryl Myers and husband, David, of Kings Mountain, and Gina Hamrick and special friend, Matthew, of Pensacola, Fla.; special children, Patty, Dennis, Harold, Chris and Eric; sister, Garnell Bryant of Cherryville; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The memorial service was held Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 12 noon in Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain. Rev. Jimmy Maney and Rev. Doug Ramsey officiated.

The family received friends from 11 a.m.-12 noon prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home and at other times at the home, 102 Battleground Road.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com.

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William M. Herndon, Sr.

KINGS MOUNTAIN - William Mauney Herndon, 79, died Friday, October 7, 2011, at home in the company of his

family. After making a courageous decision to forego therapy for his cancer, he enjoyed a meaningful year with his family and friends.



Born and raised in Kings Mountain, he graduated from Blue Ridge School and was a 1953 graduate of Davidson College. He then returned home to work for more than 50 years as a co-owner of JE Herndon Company with his brother, James E. Herndon, Jr., at the company founded by his father James E. Herndon, Sr.

He truly loved his company and its employees, and he was a fixture there almost until the day he died. He adored Kings Mountain and his family's place in its heritage. He and his family traveled widely, visiting six continents. He was an avid antique automobile collector. He was a faithful Mason and enjoyed researching his family's genealogy.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Marilyn Herndon, of the home; 10 children; and his brother, James E. Herndon, Jr. of Atlanta, GA. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean Lynch Herndon, and is survived by their children, Dr. William Herndon, Jr. and his wife (Bobbie) Barbara of Charlotte and their children, Alexander and Andrew; Virginia Herndon-Baker and husband Charles of Portland, OR, and their children, Garth and Charlotte; Robert Herndon of Portland, OR, and David Herndon of Wilmington. He was also preceded in death by his wife, June Rhyne Herndon, and is survived by her children, Spears Mullen, Jr. and wife Aylce of Raleigh and their children, Catharine Palmer (Scott) and Peter; Julia Hart and her husband Lewis of Chappaqua, NY, and their son, Lewis III; Patrick Mullen and his wife Deborah of Cornelius and their son, McKay.

In addition to his surviving wife, he is survived by her children, Charles Hamilton and his wife, Amy, of Shelby and their children, Natalie and Ben; Wayne Hamilton and his wife, Leigh, of Greensboro and their son, Nathan; and Virginia Hamilton of Gastonia.

A visitation was held at the home at 112 Herndon Farm Road, Kings Mountain, on Monday Oct. 10 from 6-8 p.m. The memorial service was held at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 201 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain on Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 11 a.m.

The family expresses its sincere gratitude to everyone from Hospice of Cleveland County and Helping Hands. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150 or St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 201 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

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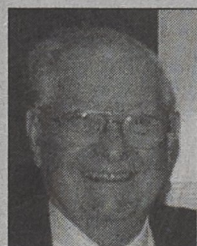
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Robert W. "Bill" Moss

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Robert William "Bill" Moss, Sr., 83, resident of Kings Mountain, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2011, at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte.

He was born in Cleveland County to the late Marcus Broadus Moss and Eva Moss and was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Hayes Moss and brother, Rev. James Moss.



A member of First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain, he sang in the Adult Senior Choir.

He was a graduate of Kings Mountain High School, a member of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club, a Mason and an avid fisherman. A caring and wonderful father and Papaw, he owned and operated Moss Electric Company in Kings Mountain.

Surviving are his sons, Robert William Moss, Jr. and wife Luanne of Flower Mound, TX, Ernest Michael Moss and wife Connie of Concord, NC, Dr. David Scott Moss and wife Annette of Harrisburg, NC, and Jeffrey Lynn Moss of Asheville, NC; daughter, Kimberly Moss Haynes and husband Dusty of Kings Mountain; brother, Carl Moss of Indian Trail, NC, and grandchildren, Tracey Lynn Moss, Robert William Moss III, Kathryn Moss and husband Ryan, David Michael Moss and wife Ashley, Candace Nicole Moss, Thomas Scott Moss, Robert Townsend Haynes and wife Jessica, Kimberly Blair Haynes and Jeffrey Mark Moss; and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted Sunday, Oct. 9, at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church. Dr. John Sloan officiated. The family received friends prior to the funeral service from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, NC 28201 or to First Baptist Church, 605 W. King St., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

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Hazel King Webster

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Hazel King Webster, 80, a resident of Kings Mountain, passed away Monday, Oct. 10, 2011, at White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain.

Born in Cleveland County, NC, she was the daughter of the

late Ullis and Lela Barnett King and widow of the late Daniel Webster, Sr. She was preceded in death by her brother, Norman King.

She was a member of Sisk Memorial Baptist Church in Fort Mill, S.C., and prior to her illness was active in her Sunday school. She will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

She is survived by her son, George Daniel "Danny" Webster, Jr., and wife Donna of N. Wilkesboro.; daughters, Doris Tisinger and husband Jim of Cornelius, and Amanda W. Smith and husband Bernard Smith, Jr. of Midland; grandchildren, Christy Jarrett and husband Chris of Charlotte, Jarrett Smith of Midland, and Monica Neu and husband Jon-Michael of Mint Hill; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, in the Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel of Harris Funeral Home; Rev. James Lochridge officiating. Visitation is 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in Gaston Memorial Park, Gastonia.

A guest register is available at www.harrisfunerals.com.

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To create Cleveland County's own button chair, we are asking all participants to bring a button to the Pink Tea. Also, remember to wear pink!

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