

# OBITUARIES

**CHARLES GOFORTH**  
SHELBY - Charles Arnold Goforth, 83, of Oak Grove Rd., died Friday, Dec. 2, 2011 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

Born in Cleveland County on Oct. 14, 1928, he was the son of the late John Dixon and Bessie Suzanne Ware Goforth. A loving

and dedicated member of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, he was a third degree Mason of Shelby Masonic Lodge 744 and an avid gardener. He loved to hunt and fish and was a loving and devoted father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by two brothers, Howard Goforth and Woody Ware; three sisters, Kathleen Scism, Louise Ledford and Margaret Hamrick; a granddaughter, Tabitha Whitaker and great-grandson, Madison Whitaker.

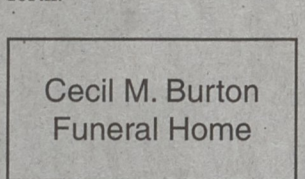
Mr. Goforth is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Kathleen Lookadoo Goforth; a son, Warren Goforth and wife, Sherry, of Shelby; two daughters, Connie Goforth Greene and husband, Tommy of Boiling Springs and Kim Goforth Tongel and husband, Ralph of Shelby; grandchildren, Chuck Goforth, Elisha Vennekamp husband, Chris, Todd Tongel and wife, Sara, Donald Whitaker and wife, Sandy, Mary Tongel, Jonathon Greene and wife, Heather, Dell Burdick and wife, Denise, and Angie Guffey and husband, Billy; great-grandchildren, Tyler Coggins, Courtney Goforth, Taylor Tongel, Maegan Greene, Macie Greene, Noah Vennekamp, Thomas Guffey, Taylor Guffey, Payton Burdick, Tucker Burdick and Braxton Burdick

The funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 at 11 a.m. at Putnam Memorial Baptist Church. Rev. Bryan Glisson and Rev. Gary Marburger officiated

and interment with Masonic rites was in Cleveland Memorial Park.  
The family received friends Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011 from 10-11 a.m. at Putnam Memorial Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, building fund, 1146 Home Road, Shelby, NC 28152.

Cecil M. Burton Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the family of Mr. Goforth.



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**CALLIE ELAINE MARTIN**

SHELBY - Callie Elaine Martin, 66, died Friday, Dec. 2, 2011 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

Born April 24, 1945 in Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Clifford and Emma Barnette and was preceded in death

by her brother, JD Barnette, and sisters, Irene Robinette and Ailene Dellinger. Surviving are her loving husband, Denis Martin of Shelby, two sons, Drake Guin and wife, Joan and Steve Guin and wife, Tami, all of Shelby, stepdaughter, Lori Hannah of Asheville and stepson, Kevin Martin of Gastonia and niece, Glenda Fredell and husband, Coy, of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Keshia Davis of Gastonia, Angel Nivens and husband, Jason of Gastonia, Jennifer Fredell and husband, James of Kings Mountain; brothers, Jack Ware of Shelby, and Bob Ware and wife, Betty; Bradford Ware and wife, Stella, and sister, Annette Ware Webster and husband, Bob, and sisters-in-law, Shirley Ware and Melba Ware, all of Kings Mountain; six grandchildren: Jennifer Phifer Webster and husband, Brian, Cindy Phifer Hagans and husband, Trent, Leslie Phifer Hendrick and husband, Kelly, Heather Bumgardner, Derick Bumgardner and wife, Mandy, and Mary Kaylor Ball and husband, Josh; 11 great-grandchildren: Emily, Johnathon, Abigail, Hattie, Joe, Wade, Casey, Caroline, Sloan, Makayla and Alex.

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The memorial service

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Church in Kings Mountain. Pastor Roger Webb and friend Kevin Whittington officiated the memorial service. Sixty-six balloons were released afterwards in honor of each year of Elaine's life.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, the North Carolina American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

**PAULINE WARE PHIFER**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Pauline "Polly" Ware Phifer, 89, of 209 Rollingbrook Rd., died Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

Born in Cleveland County, NC, daughter of the late Frank C. and Pearl Lovelace Ware, she was the wife of 65 years to the late Menzell N. Phifer. She was also preceded in death by son-in-law, Gene Kaylor, sister-in-law, Peggy Ware, brothers, Mike Ware and Walter Ware, sister Virginia Stone and brother-in-law, W. F. Stone.  
Retired after 45 years from First Union National Bank, she was a member of Boyce Memorial ARP Church where she was active in church and Women's Ministries. She was a member of the Open Gate Garden Club and enjoyed making porcelain dolls for friends and family. She loved to cook and was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Surviving are her son, Donald W. Phifer and wife, Janice, and daughters, Paulette Phifer Kaylor and Jean Phifer Bumgardner and husband, Barry, all of Kings Mountain; brothers, Jack Ware of Shelby, and Bob Ware and wife, Betty; Bradford Ware and wife, Stella, and sister, Annette Ware Webster and husband, Bob, and sisters-in-law, Shirley Ware and Melba Ware, all of Kings Mountain; six grandchildren: Jennifer Phifer Webster and husband, Brian, Cindy Phifer Hagans and husband, Trent, Leslie Phifer Hendrick and husband, Kelly, Heather Bumgardner, Derick Bumgardner and wife, Mandy, and Mary Kaylor Ball and husband, Josh; 11 great-grandchildren: Emily, Johnathon, Abigail, Hattie, Joe, Wade, Casey, Caroline, Sloan, Makayla and Alex.

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will be conducted Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Boyce Memorial ARP Church with Rev. Doug Petersen officiating.

The family will receive friends in the fellowship hall of Boyce Memorial ARP Church immediately following the church service Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011.

Memorials may be made to Boyce Memorial ARP Church, 111 Edgemont Dr. Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

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

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

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**LESTER GRAHAM**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Lester Colvin Graham, 73, of Kings Mountain, died Nov. 10, 2011 at his home.

The memorial service will be held Friday, Dec. 9, 2011 at 4 p.m. at New Camp Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Richard Stroup officiating.

**KENNETH M. HOPPES**

LATTIMORE - Kenneth M. Hoppes, 63, of Cherry St., died Nov. 28, 2011.

The funeral service was conducted Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at 10 a.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home Chapel in Shelby.

**VIRGINIA HAMRICK**

SHELBY - Virginia Dover Hamrick, 84, of 2034 Riverhill Dr., died Nov. 30, 2011.

The funeral service will be conducted Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 at 3 p.m. at Faith Baptist Church, interment following in Mount Sinai Baptist Church Cemetery.

**COOKIE ATKINS**

SHELBY - Mrs. Cookie Atkins, 63, 202 Peachtree Rd. died Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

The funeral service will be conducted Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Chapel, interment following in Cleveland Memorial Park.

**FURMAN L. WEBBER**

SHELBY - Furman L. Webber, 82, died Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Zoar Baptist Church, interment following in Cleveland Memorial Park.

**DR. BRUCE GAUGER**

SHELBY - Dr. Bruce Dickey Gauger, 73, 112 Whitetail Dr., died Dec. 1, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.

The funeral was conducted Monday, Dec. 5, 2011 at 3 p.m. at Maranatha Baptist Church, interment following in Odd Fellows Cemetery in Xenia, Illinois.

**REBECCA G. CHAMPION**

SHELBY - Rebecca

Gladden Champion, resident of Somerset Court in Shelby, died Nov. 28, 2011 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center, Shelby.

The graveside service was conducted Thursday, Dec. 2, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Shelby's Sunset Cemetery with interment in Sunset Cemetery.

# POLICE LOG

**ARRESTS**

NOV. 29: Tiffany Jo Carigan, 33, 203 N. Dilling St., possession drug paraphernalia, \$500 bond, secured.

NOV.30: Justin Blake Messick, 18, 901 Lake Montonia Rd., assault with deadly weapon, \$20,000 bond, unsecured.

DEC. 2: David Lee Picklesimer, 27, Myrtle Beach, SC, failure to appear for seat belt violation, failure to appear for driving while license revoked, \$500 bond, secured.

DEC. 3: Leslie Dawn Morrow, 29, 1700 Shelby Rd., larceny and communicating threats, \$1500 bond, secured.

**CITATIONS**

NOV. 30: Steven L. Wilson, 52, Shelby, expired tag. NOV. 30: Timothy Bradshaw, 45, Dallas, speeding.

NOV. 30: Shederia Elliott, 27, 113 Pearce Dr., no inspection, expired tag.

NOV. 30: Stacey Gault, 42, 1713 Kings Row Dr., Apt. 203, improper turn.

NOV. 30: Christopher Jerry Allen Lee, 23, Bessemer City, speeding, improper equipment.

DEC. 1: Heather Marie Martin, 29, Gastonia, revoked license, possession drug paraphernalia, possession controlled substance (Xanax)

DEC. 1: James R. Brown Jr., 33, Shelby, revoked license

DEC. 1: Kristin Dawn Gaddis, 22, Gastonia, revoked license

DEC. 1: Tha Yeng Xyong, 30, Gastonia, speeding

DEC. 2: Justin Kyle Dickson, 19, 5557 Greenway Ct., failure to stop at scene of a crash resulting in property damage.

DEC. 2: Ronald Webber, 56, Shelby, expired tag.

**INCIDENTS**

NOV. 24: A resident of Fourth St. reported unauthorized use of his 1998 Ford which was damaged \$1800.

NOV. 28: A resident of N. Tracy St. reported a break-in and damage to sheetrock and door.

NOV. 29: A resident of McGill Court reported theft of jewelry valued at over \$750.

NOV. 30: Sgt. Bob Myers reported that an employee at Moss Lake struck

a tree on the campground and damaged a 2001 Honda.

DEC. 1: Farmers Furniture, 401 S. Battleground Ave., reported theft of a sofa valued at \$1,000.

DEC. 2: A resident of Bridges Dr. reported a break-in and theft of computer and phone valued at \$600.

DEC. 2: A resident of Sterling Drive reported damage to a mailbox.

DEC. 3: City of Kings Mountain reported damage to a wooden picnic table on Cleveland Avenue.

DEC. 4: Greg's Food Mart, 314 N. Piedmont Ave., reported damage to large glass windows and damaging a Carrier heating and air unit.

**WRECKS**

NOV. 26: Cpl. Mark Butler charged a 17-year-old male with careless and reckless driving after he lost control of a 1992 Nissan in the parking lot of Kings Mountain Intermediate School and struck two pine trees.

NOV. 28: Officer Bryan McGinnis said that a 2001 Chevy operated by Lonnie Joe Hice, 1816 Martin Rd., rear-ended a 1995 Jeep operated by Chester Gene Davis of Gastonia. Property damages were minor.

NOV. 29: Ptl. H. W. Carpenter said that Richard Keith Moore, 500 Downing Dr., operating a 2001 Chevy, was attempting to cross the West bound lanes of US 74 Business from N. Roxford Road to make a left turn into the East bound lanes of US 74 Business. Moore told the officer that he looked East to insure there was no West bound traffic approaching and then proceeded. The Moore car struck a bicycle operated by Jeffrey Scott Morton, 813 Landing St., which was illegally traveling East in the West bound lanes of US 74 Business. Moore transported Morton to the Kings Mountain Hospital where he was treated and released.

DEC. 1: Ptl. K. A. Wajda said that Lewis Ricky Deter, 205 Cranford Dr., operating a 1998 Dodge, failed to yield right of way and struck a 2003 Dodge operated by Mac Steven Love, Bessemer City. Cleveland County EMS and Kings Mountain Rescue Squad transported injured to Kings Mountain Hospital.

DEC. 1: Ptl. J. L. Dee said that Ashley Michelle Irvin, of Grover, operating a 2004 Ford, backed into a 2006 Honda operated by Charity McGinnis, 225 N. City St. The accident happened in the parking lot of Sherrill Exxon and resulted in minor damage.

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