

Rainbow 'somehow fitting' at funeral of fallen airman



Family and friends gathered to say goodbye Sunday to Senior Master Sergeant Robert (Robbie) Cannon, 50, son-in-law of James and Sandi Russ of Kings Mountain.

Cannon was part of the 145th Airlift Wing unit that responded to the wildfires out west.

The C-130 he was aboard crashed during a mission in South Dakota July 1, 2012 killing four men and injuring two others.

A service for SMSgt Cannon was held at a Carmel Baptist Church in Matthews Sunday afternoon followed by burial at Forest Lawn West with full military honors.

A rainbow, which appeared in the sky as the service ended, was "somehow fitting" said family members. Cannon was married with two children.

Last week a memorial service was held for all four airmen killed in the deadly crash. In addition to Cannon, the fallen airmen were Lt. Col. Paul K. Mikeal, 42, of Mooresville; Major Joseph McCormick, 36, of Belmont, and Major Ryan S. David, 35, of Boone, all members of the Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System MAFFS 7 crew. Their names were added to a National Guard me-

morial wall, which was unveiled during that service at the Guard headquarters in Charlotte.

Funerals were held during the weekend in the communities in which the airmen resided.

The deadly crash was the first in the 40-year history of the MAFFS program, a joint Defense Department and U.S. Forest Service program that provides additional aerial firefighting resources when commercial and private air tankers are no longer able to meet the Forest Service's needs.

MAFFS is a self-contained aerial firefighting system owned by the Forest Service that can discharge 3,000 gallons of water or fire retardant in less than five seconds.

At left - Senior Master Sergeant Robert (Robbie) Cannon

KINGS MOUNTAIN POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

JULY 9: Brandon Harold Pressley, 28, 204 Cooke Circle, breaking and entering motor vehicle, a felony, five counts, five counts larceny, felony, \$20,000 bond, secured.

JULY 9: Timothy Lamar Davis, 18, 1900 Alpine Dr., possession of stolen firearm, a felony, \$7500 bond, secured.

JULY 10: Steve Bernard Hamrick Jr., 21, 143 Yarbro Rd., Lot 12, three counts trafficking cocaine, felony, possession with intent to sell, deliver cocaine, one count, felony, and alter/steal evidence, one count, felony, no bond.

JULY 16: Andrea Dawn Whitlock, 43, Clover, SC, possession drug paraphernalia, \$500 bond, secured.

CITATIONS

JULY 9: Gina Neal Sosebee, 49, Gastonia, revoked license.

JULY 9: Linda Gregory Pope, 57, 120 Tepee Dr., no seat belt.

JULY 9: Jesse Randall Harvey, 19, 5567 Lennox Dr., speeding.

JULY 10: Mark Ray Champion, 53, Lawndale, expired tag.

JULY 10: Victor Joseph Smith, 52, 5552 Greenway Ct., expired tag.

JULY 13: Gary Michael Moss, 64, 111 Cyclone Dr., no inspection, expired tag.

JULY 15: Dustin Joseph Jamison, 20, Gastonia, expired tag.

JULY 15: Christian Zachary Smith, 19, Mount Holly, no inspection, expired tag.

JULY 16: Andrea Dawn Whitlock, 43, Clover, SC, open container in passenger area of

INCIDENTS

JULY 16: Helmut Lindemann, 61, Asheville, speeding.

JULY 10: A resident of Bethlehem Road reported theft of currency from a 2005 Dodge.

JULY 11: A resident of Fulton Drive reported damage to steering column of vehicle.

JULY 12: A resident of West Gold Street Apartments reported a break-in and damage to a 1996 Jeep Cherokee.

JULY 12: Food Lion, 1320 Shelby Rd., reported shoplifting of two T-bone steaks.

JULY 12: A resident of Grover reported theft of a 1988 Chevrolet and theft of a radio.

JULY 13: Green Tree Apartments, 612 Charles St., reported \$3,000 damage to the front main entrance gate.

JULY 14: A resident of Range Road reported that his car windshield was damaged.

JULY 14: A resident of Cloninger Street reported damage to his front door and theft of jewelry.

JULY 14: A resident of E. Mountain St. reported that someone shot a BB gun through his glass door doing \$150 damage.

JULY 14: A resident of Maner Road reported that a telephone caller took money by false pretense.

WRECKS

JULY 4: Officer S. M. Skinner said Franqulyn Crawford, 306 N. Watterson, was traveling South on Piedmont Avenue. He backed up to retrieve his ball camp which fell out the car window and hit a city utility pole at 110 N. Piedmont Ave. Property damage was minor.

JULY 4: Officer S. M. Skinner said a parked 2002 Chevy owned by Kimberly Lawhon, 212 Walker St., was parked on Branch Street while occupants of the car watched city fireworks display. A hit and run driver backed into the Chevrolet doing \$1,000 damage.

JULY 6: Ptl. K. Wajda said Jennifer Martin, 18 Bennett Dr. was backing her car at Ridge Street apartments and hit a

parked 2002 Dodge owned by Virginia Tate, 223 W. Ridge Street. Property damages were minor.

JULY 7: Officer F.L. Wittington said a 2013 Kia operated by Lester Button of Charlotte struck a 2007 Chevrolet operated by Kelli Gibson, 314 Margrace Road, on York Road at the I-85 off ramp toward Holiday

Inn Drive. Button said his foot "went numb" and he could not put on brakes, ran the red light, and the Chevrolet "rolled over," pinning the occupants inside. Emergency Medical Services transported occupants of the Chevrolet to Cleveland Regional Medical Center. Property damages were estimated at \$24,000.

JULY 10: Officer J. L. Dee said a 2005 Suzuki operated by Kaelyn Norris-Woods of Shelby struck a 2007 Subaru operated by Barbara West of Flat Rock on the US 74 bypass at NC 161 doing a total of \$1500 damage. Both vehicles were traveling west on the bypass. West slowed down in the construction zone for a vehicle attempting to enter

west-bound traffic and Norris-Woods proceeded to slow down but failed to reduce speed before striking the West vehicle.

JULY 12: Cpl. K. Putnam said that an unknown vehicle struck a parked 1993 Honda operated by John Tyler Murray, 148 Siena Drive, on North Sims Street. Property damage was estimated at \$2,000.

OBITUARIES

Floyd Allen Bridges

Served in the United States Navy

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Floyd Allen Bridges, 72, resident of Kings Mountain, died July 15, 2012 at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte.

He was born in Big Stone Gap, Va. to the late Manuel and Etta Mae Bridges and was also preceded in death by his brother, Joe Bridges.

Mr. Bridges was retired from the textile industry and served in the United States Navy. He attended First Baptist Church in Kings Mountain and was an avid golfer and hard working man who loved his family.

Surviving are his son, Marty Bridges and wife, Melissa, of Kings Mountain; daughter, Wendy Saldo and husband, Rev. David Saldo, Grover; sister, Betty Rayfield and husband, Russell, Bessemer City; four grandchildren: Aaron Bridges and wife, Megan, Shelby; Whitney Bridges, Kings Mountain; Noah Saldo and Lucas Saldo, Grover; and one

great-grandchild, Prestyn Bridges.

The funeral service will be conducted Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at 4 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain. Rev. David Saldo and Rev. Scott Carpenter will officiate and interment will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 625 New Bern Ave., Raleigh, NC 27601.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

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

Harris Funeral Home

Elizabeth Falls

A member of Grace United Methodist Church

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ms. Lillie Elizabeth Falls, 69, died Fri., July 13, 2012 at White Oak Manor of Kings Mountain. A native of Gaston Co. she was the daughter of the late George and Helen Spurrier Falls. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church of Kings Mountain, daughters of the American Revolution, Children of the Confederacy, and numerous other professional organizations.

She was a partner in a law practice in Georgia.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her twin sister, Clara Rebecca Falls.

She is survived by her sister, Ann Falls Ward and husband Bill of Kings

Mountain; brother, Dave Falls and wife Pam of Poquoson, Va.; nieces and nephews, Jonathan Falls of Richmond, Va., Allison Morhard and husband Chris of Birmingham, Ala., John Haynes and wife Cathy of Nags Head, Rebecca Claffey and husband Chris of Wilmington, Andy Haynes and wife Kassie of Gastonia.

Funeral service was conducted Monday, July 16, at 11 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain. Rev. Tom Jolly officiated the service.

The family received friends following the service in the church fellowship hall.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 803 Church St., Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Dr., Shelby, NC 28150.

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Kings Mountain was in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences: www.claybarnette.com

Clay Barnette Funeral Home

Teresa Melton

Owner and operator of Kings Mountain Vacuum Shop

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Teresa Kay Melton, 60, of Kings Mountain, passed away Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at Gaston Memorial Hospital. She was born August 17, 1951 in Cleveland County, to the late Wylie and Emma Sisk Wallace.

Teresa was a graduate of

Gardner-Webb University and a member of Christian Freedom Baptist Church, Kings Mountain. She was the owner and operator of Kings Mountain Vacuum Shop of Kings Mountain. Teresa was formerly employed by DSS of Cleveland

County for six years and she was the director of the Kings Mountain Senior Center for nine years. She was also a member of the Red Hat Society of Kings Mountain.

A funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Mike Chambers on Friday, July 13, at 3 p.m. at Christian Freedom Baptist Church, Kings Mountain. Interment followed at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

The family received visitors prior to the service at the church.

Teresa is survived by her daughter, Mary Heather Melton of Kings Mountain; fiancé, Steve Sanders of Kings Mountain; James Melton of High Shoals; brother, Rick Wallace of Kings Mountain; and grandson, Tommy Hall III.

To offer condolences, please visit www.siskbutler.com

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home, Bessemer City, was serving the family.

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home

Chris Ashe

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Chris Ashe, 53, of 1144 Oak Grove Rd., died July 15, 2012 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

The graveside service will be conducted Thursday, July 19, 2012 at 2 p.m. at New Camp Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home.

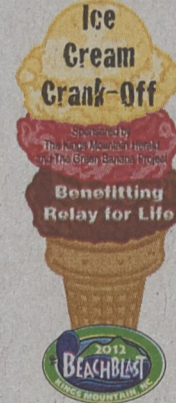
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Category you are entering: (Circle only ONE, fill out a separate application for each category you enter.)

- Vanilla
 - Chocolate
 - Fruit
 - Gourmet
- _____ and Nut You Made What!! - Outrageous!!

There is a \$5 entry fee for the Crank-Off. Entrants are required to bring one (1) half-gallon of their ice cream for tasting by the public. This is IN ADDITION to the one (1) half-gallon required for judging.

Registration will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 21 at Patriots Park, downtown Kings Mountain. Judging and public tasting begin at 1 p.m. Salt, ice and power are provided. Bring your own table, etc.

Entries pre-registered by July 6 receive Ice Cream Crank-Off apron. To pre-register, fax this form to 704-739-0611 or email to wendy.kmherald@gmail.com

Entrants may sign below to release their winning recipe, if they are chosen, to be the Green Banana Ice Cream Specialty of the Year, which allows it to be used to create ice cream products for the benefit of Green Banana Project fundraising. Signature is not required to participate.

*No unpasteurized products may be used in the recipes.

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