

OBITUARIES

Donald Eugene Blanton

Served in U.S. Army Reserves

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Donald Eugene Blanton, Jr. 25, resident of 1300 W. Gold Street Ext., Kings Mountain, died Friday, November 9, 2012, at Gaston Memorial Hospital, Gastonia.



He was born in Cleveland Co., NC to the late Donald Eugene Blanton, Sr. Also preceding him in death were his paternal grandparents, Andrew Blanton and Sarah Blanton, and his maternal grandparents, Raymond Eugene Jackson and Barbara Ann Jackson. He was currently serving in the United States Army Reserves, Spartanburg, SC and was employed with Ray's Septic, High Shoals, NC.

Surviving are his wife,

Jyara Blanton of the home, sons Dawton Blanton of Grover and Michael Garland of Kings Mountain; daughter, Sarah Blanton of Kings Mountain; mother, Lynn Jackson of Kings Mountain; brother, Frankie Blanton of Gastonia; sisters, Lisa Arrowood and Lori Fussell both of Kings Mountain; Rachel Blanton of Gastonia; uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be conducted Thursday, Nov. 15, at 11 a.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home. Rev. Johnny Mote will officiate.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 6-8 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

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

**Harris
Funeral Home**

Alan Grant Suddreth

Member of Lucia Baptist

Mount Holly—Alan Grant Suddreth, 55, 224 Lowland Dairy Road, died on Friday, Oct. 26, 2012.

He is survived by his wife Deborah Kiser Suddreth; his parents Harry Wilson Suddreth and Marlene Livingston Suddreth of Mount Holly; three sisters, Karen S. Leonard and husband Rick of Spartanburg, SC, Kim S. Tyler of Mount Holly, and Cindy S. Williams and husband Scott of Mount Holly; one brother, Lee Suddreth and wife Laura of Mount Holly; one stepson, Derek Ray Durst and wife Leslie of Waxhaw, NC.

Grant was a 1975 graduate of East Gaston High School. After graduating, he worked side by side with his parents in the family business as a salesman and grower. A Jeep accident in 1980 leaving him a quadriplegic was only the beginning of an inspirational life to many. His accomplishment of graduating top of his class at Gaston College led to a fulfilling career at Microsoft as a software specialist. He was involved in many volunteer activities such as teaching a current events class to the seniors at Stanley Total Living Center. He also spoke on behalf of Programs For Accessible Living for seatbelt awareness in the

Charlotte-Mecklenburg high schools. He was a member at Lucia Baptist Church where he taught Sunday school and was baptized and became a child of God. His life was an example to follow by many and he was loved and respected by all who knew him. He was the oldest of his four siblings and they looked to him for guidance and leadership. Upon his retirement, Grant enjoyed reading and being a devoted husband.

A service to celebrate the life of Mr. Suddreth was held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the First Baptist Church in Stanley with Reverend Mike Davis and Reverend Tony Fulbright officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Gardens Cemetery. The family received friends from 6:30-8:30 Saturday at Woodlawn Funeral Home in Mount Holly and at other times at the home of Harry and Marlene Suddreth, 124 Low Meadow Drive, Mount Holly.

Memorials may be made to the building fund, Lucia Baptist Church 15434 Lucia Riverbend Highway, Stanley NC 28164 or to Samaritans Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone NC 28607.

Woodlawn Funeral Home in Mount Holly is serving the family.

**Woodlawn
FUNERAL HOME**

Margaret Callahan

SHELBY- Mrs. Margaret Callahan, 87, of Shelby, passed away, Saturday, November 10, 2012, at her residence.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at First Baptist Church of Shelby, Webb Chapel. Interment is in Sunset Cemetery.

Timothy Charles Gibby

BELMONT - Timothy Charles Gibby, 53, 303 Ferrell Ave, Belmont, died Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at Gaston Memorial Hospital, Gastonia.

The memorial service was held at New Hope Church of God, Saturday, November 10, at 1 p.m.

Sheila Marie Hall

SHELBY- Shelia Marie Hall, 53, 126 Ridgefield Road, passed away Friday, November 9, 2012, at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service was held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, at Rock Springs Baptist Church, 1184 Bridges Rd. in Blacksburg, SC.

Sharon Meadows

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Sharon Story Meadows, 53, resident of 1006 Second Street, Kings Mountain, died Wednesday, November 7, 2012 at her home.

The funeral service was conducted at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, Saturday, November 10, at 2 p.m.

Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Ronnie Moss III

GROVER - Roland "Ronnie" Moss III, 47, resident of 110 Oconee Drive, Grover, NC, died Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at Carolina's Medical Center, Charlotte, NC.

The funeral service was held at New Buffalo Baptist Church, Friday, November 9.

Interment was in New Buffalo Baptist Church Cemetery in Grover.

Moses murder case is closed

The only suspect in the March 2012 killing of Joseph "Danny" Moses, 52 of Kings Mountain, died of natural causes before he could be charged.

Family members met at the Cleveland County Courthouse this week with District Attorney Rick Shaffer and Kings Mountain Police and were told that the murder case is closed and there is insufficient evidence to initiate any criminal charges.

Moses died at his home on Walnut Street of two gunshot wounds to the head.

Food Inspections

Six facilities were inspected the week of Oct. 29-Nov. 2 by the Cleveland County Health Department and their scores are as follows: Italian Garden & Pizzeria, E. King St., 98; Mogninos Restaurant, York Rd., 96; Tobacco Barn, Cleveland Ae., 97; Bethware School, 98.5; North School, 98.5; and Summit Place, Phifer Rd., 99.

Tryon Optimist basketball, cheer sign-up

Tryon Optimist Club basketball and cheerleading sign-ups for ages 5-12 will be held Friday, Nov. 16, from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Friday, Nov. 30 from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Tryon School gymnasium.

POLICE REPORT

ARRESTS

NOV. 5: A 16-year-old female was charged with assault and disorderly conduct at Kings Mountain High School. Her secured bond was \$2500.

NOV. 6: Kristen Nicole Roger, 18, 319 Linwood Rd., manufacturing meth and conspiring to manufacture meth, both felonies, \$10,000 bond, secured.

NOV. 6: Jeffrey Todd Lynn, 47, 406 Hawthorne Rd., DWI and resist, delay, obstruct, \$1500 bond, unsecured.

NOV. 6: A 17-year-old female was charged with assault inflicting serious injury and disorderly conduct at Kings Mountain High School. Her secured bond was \$7500.

NOV. 8: Amanda Hope Ledford, 24, breaking and entering, larceny after break-in, possession of stolen goods, all felonies, \$15,000 bond, secured.

NOV. 9: Christopher Burton Drake, 35, Vale, assault with deadly weapon, driving while license revoked, unauthorized use of vehicle, \$13,000 bond, secured.

CITATIONS

NOV. 3: Ida Marie McClain, 37, Shelby, speeding.

NOV. 5: Travis Howard Greene, 36, Shelby, revoked license, no registration, no license to operate motorcycle,

speeding.

NOV. 5: A 16-year-old male was cited for possession less than 1/2 ounce marijuana, Schedule VI.

NOV. 6: Maceo Walls, 26, Matthews, speeding, no operator's license.

NOV. 6: Darlene Watson, 42, 336 Compact School Rd, shoplifting.

NOV. 7: Brandon Smith, 23, Gastonia, speeding, no operator's license.

NOV. 8: Jessica Hall Leigh, 408 S. Oriental Ave., no inspection, expired tag.

NOV. 8: Kelly Mathis, 21, Gastonia, running red light.

NOV. 8: Tonya Johnson, 42, 107 Glenn Ct, speeding.

NOV. 8: Michael Curtemanche, 22, Bessemer City, speeding.

NOV. 9: Petro Neal, 53, 404 Gold Creek Trail Lot 204, expired tag.

NOV.10: Preston Shipley, 19, 148 Dunes Dr., simple possession of marijuana.

NOV. 11: Lisa Cody, 45, Apt. 10 Chesterfield, failure to carry driver's license.

NOV. 11: Jason Mitchell, 33, 205 Landrey Dr., no operator's license.

NOV. 11: Michael Voisine, Apt. 87 612 Church St., stop sign violation, faulty equipment.

INCIDENTS

NOV. 5: A resident of Rhodes Ave. reported fraud.

NOV. 5: Coca Cola Consolidated, Charlotte, reported damage to a Coca Cola-Here's a pic of the Kings Mtn District Honors Chorus students in Winslow Salem this weekend

NOV. 6: A resident of Belmar Rd. reported financial card fraud.

WRECKS

NOV.2: Officer J. L. Dee said a 2001 Chevrolet operated by Paul Lattimore, 126 East End Dr., failed to stop at a stop sign and was struck by a 1984 Chevrolet operated by Charles Queen, 1016 Second St. The accident happened at Second Street and Blanton and estimated damage was \$3750.

NOV. 4: Officer David Warlick said Franklin Lewis Fuzie, 106 Beason Ct., operating a 2005 Chevrolet, failed to yield right-of-way and collided with a 2004 BMW operated by Faye Ramey Kerns, 140 Oak Forest Dr. The accident happened on Shelby Road. Property damages were estimated at \$3000.

NOV. 5: Officer F. L. Wittington said a 2002 Lexus operated by Shawn Clark, 109 Covenant Dr., rear-ended a 1999 Cadillac operated by Christy Hughes, Clover, SC. The accident happened on King St. Estimated damage was \$1350.

County Social Services launch NC Fast system

The Cleveland County Department of Social Services is in the process of launching a new way to provide services to Cleveland County residents.

NC FAST, which stands for North Carolina Families Accessing Services through Technology, is a statewide, global case management system that will eventually be utilized in all 100 county DSS agencies. Its purpose is to provide new technological tools that will improve operations for the state and county DSS offices. This comprehensive case management system will replace 19 outdated legacy systems that have been in operation since the early 1980s. Whereas the old systems operated as information silos, the new NC FAST system will integrate information for all service programs, creating a global case management system.

The new NC FAST system is being implemented in stages, with the Food and Nutrition Services being the first program activated. All local Food and Nutrition Services staff have completed the first wave of training and began serving new applicants using the new system Oct. 15.

"The Food and Nutrition staff has done a great job to prepare for this new way of doing business. It is a big challenge, but we are ready and excited to launch this new system," said LeSandra Pearson.

The vision is to provide a more effective service delivery system that will benefit both caseworkers and

clients. Once all implementation stages are complete, this system will be in operation for other programs as well, such as Medicaid, Work First Family Assistance, Child Welfare Services, Low Income Energy Assistance, Crisis Intervention Program, and Aging and Adult Services.

"As you can see, the FNS department's conversion is the first giant step towards a new system that will have a major impact on our agency's business operations and service delivery systems."

As with any major improvement, there will be an extensive transition stage involving training for staff and conversion of old cases into the new system.

"We will be a little slower initially, so we do ask everyone to be patient. However, the long term rewards will benefit everyone," said Pearson.

For example, persons interested in applying for Food and Nutrition Services will soon be able to submit an electronic application online through a web site. Currently, people can access this web site to answer questions and receive feedback regarding potential eligibility. It is no longer necessary for people to visit the office in person. Anyone will be able to apply from any internet connection.

We hope this will be a useful option for persons who don't have transportation or who work during normal business hours. Once the ePass web site is in full production, clients will submit

their applications electronically. The web address is: www.epass.nc.gov.

Currently the local office is in the first phase of implementation. In this phase, the new NC FAST system is being used for new applications. Full implementation is scheduled for January 22, 2012. At this time, all Food and Nutrition Services will be conducted with the new system.

Families will have: "One-stop shopping" with one-time communication of their information and needs.

Confidence that their benefits will be determined in an expedited, consistent manner from any place in the state.

Communities will have: Increased responsiveness to community needs.

Increased community outreach.

Better outcomes for dollars invested.

County Departments of Social Services and their employees will have:

Tools to help them share information and track cases across program areas and county lines.

More time to assist families as administrative tasks are automated.

Increased ability to work with families within existing resources.

Enhanced partnerships with employers, service providers and other support organizations.

Enhanced ability to identify clients' needs.

Enhanced partnerships with counties and other state entities.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Kings Mountain City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at 6:00 pm in the Kings Mountain City Hall, 101 W. Gold Street, Kings Mountain, NC. The purpose of this hearing is to receive citizen comments about a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application the City plans to submit to the North Carolina Department of Commerce Division of Community Investment (NCDCI).

The City of Kings Mountain is applying for \$500,000 in CDBG funds that will be used for housing rehabilitation, relocation and infrastructure improvements in the Cherokee Street and Wilson Street area of the City. No local matching funds are required for this program.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing. Persons with disabilities, non-English speaking persons or those needing special assistance should contact the City Hall at (704) 734-0333 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing, or the North Carolina relay number for the deaf at 1-800-735-8262.

Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma bajo petición. Póngase en contacto con Steve Killian at (704) 734-4596 o Kings Mountain Ayuntamiento, 101 W. Gold Street, PO Box 429, Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28086 de alojamiento para esta solicitud.

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