

## OBITUARIES

### Paulette P. Ettinger

Former resident of  
Kings Mountain

WASHINGTON, NC - Paulette Patterson Ettinger, 64 of Belhaven NC, formerly of Kings Mountain, passed away On April 25 in the Beauford County Hospital in Washington, NC.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Patterson and a brother Donald Patterson.

She is survived by her husband of 30 years, Lester N. Ettinger, her brother and sister-in-law Gene and Jerri Patterson, one niece and two nephews. She is also survived by four step daughters and 10 step grandchildren. Paulette is a former member of El-Bethel and Central United Methodist Churches in Kings Mountain.

She graduated from

Kings Mountain High School and attended UNC and California universities.

Before retiring in Belhaven, NC, Paulette and her husband operated retail businesses in Steam Boat Springs and Vail, Colorado.

A memorial service was held at the Hillside Funeral Home in Washington, NC on Saturday, April 27.

The graveside service will be held Sunday, May 5 at 2 p.m. at El Bethel United Methodist Church Cemetery. Interment will be in El Bethel Cemetery.

A guest register is available at [www.HarrisFunerals.com](http://www.HarrisFunerals.com)

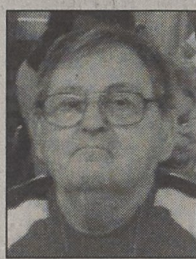
Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, is in charge of arrangements.

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Funeral Home**

### Werner "John" Albert Gass, Sr.

Decorated U.S. Army  
veteran

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Werner "John" Albert Gass, Sr. of Summit Place Kings Mountain, formerly of Gastonia, went to be with the



Lord on Sunday, April 28 at Hospice House in Kings Mountain.

John was born June 8, 1930 in New York, NY, the son of the late Rose and Harry Albert Gass.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 2 at Greene Funeral Service, South Chapel, 1503 S. York Road, Gastonia with Rev. Lamar Creel and Rev. L. J. Barnes officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1. Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery, Belmont, NC.

John retired as staff sergeant with the United States Army with 20 years of faithful service. He was awarded five Good Conduct Medals, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army of Occupation Medal with Japan clasp, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Korean Service Medal with one Silver Star, Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Stars, United Nations Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with Device (1960), Sharpshooter Badge and the Korean Defense Service

Medal.

After his retirement from the military, he went on to serve another 24 years with the United States Postal Service in Charlotte. In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Margaret Austin Gass and sister Alberta Gass Pollock.

Survivors include: his son, Werner Albert Gass, Jr. of Gastonia; daughter, Jackie Adams and husband, Tim of Kings Mountain, and daughter, Karen Guffey of Gastonia; grandchildren, Jennifer Adams Campbell and husband, Rich of Dallas, NC, Nicholas Adams of Charlotte, Mollie Guffey, of Gastonia, Mallory Guffey of Gastonia, Melodie Guffey of Gastonia; and great grandchildren, Riley Marie Campbell of Stallings and Chloe Gracy Campbell of Dallas. The family would like to express a special thanks to all the wonderful staff at Carolina Medical Center, MICU, Charlotte Main and Hospice House of Kings Mountain. The family is also very grateful for all the compassion and wonderful care John received at Summit Place of Kings Mountain during this past year.

Memorials may be made to First Assembly of God, 777 S. Myrtle School Rd, Gastonia, and Hospice House, 312 Kings Mountain Blvd., Kings Mountain, NC. Arrangements are with the South Chapel of Greene Funeral Service and Crematorium, Gastonia.

A guest registry is available at [greenefuneral.com](http://greenefuneral.com).

**Greene  
Funeral Service**

### Herman W. Dawson

SHELBY - Herman W. Dawson, 85, passed away Saturday, April 27 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 30, at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Tony Sisk officiating.

Interment was at Sunset Cemetery.

### Linda Kay Clary

Loving daughter, mother  
and grandmother

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mrs. Linda Kay Clary, 64, of 312 S. Oriental Ave., died Monday, April 29, 2013 at



Kings Mountain Hospice House. A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of Evelyn Cox Huffstickler and the late Hubert Peavy.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Lee Clary; and stepfather, Paul Huffstickler.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her sons, Michael and Lee Clary; daughters, Rhonda Barber and husband Kevin, Tonya Clary, and Nichole Proctor;

sister, Karen Anthony; brother, Tony Peavy and wife Joyce, all of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Brison, Clay, Colt, and Landon; and great-grandson, Jayden

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 2 p.m. at First Church of the Nazarene. Rev. Michael Daugherty will officiate.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery in Blacksburg, SC.

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

Online condolences: [www.claybarnette.com](http://www.claybarnette.com)

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

**Clay-Barnette  
Funeral Home**

### Elsie Cook Smith McKinish

A member of First Baptist  
Church, Kings Mountain

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Elsie Cook Smith McKinish, 100, of 237 Tyron Rd., Rutherfordton, NC, formerly of Kings Mountain, passed away Friday, April 26 at the Willow Ridge of North Carolina Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

She was the widow of the late Fred Smith and was also preceded in death by a son, George W. Smith and a daughter, Janice S. Johnson.

A member of First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, Elsie was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was retired from the textile industry.

Survivors include her grandchildren, Carmen Smith Parker and husband Paul, Shelby, NC, and Britany Smith and husband

### Georgia Lee Morehead

SHELBY - Georgia Lee Morehead, 89, passed away Friday, April 26, 2013 at Cleveland Pines Nursing Center.

The graveside service was held Sunday, April 28, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. at Sunset Cemetery with Dr. Thomas Steagald officiating.

The family received friends Sunday from 2-3 p.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Shelby, and other times at 3811 Fallston Rd., Shelby.

### Glenna Rae Spence

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Glenna Rae Spence, 63, passed away Saturday, April 27, 2013.

The funeral service was held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 3 p.m. with Rev. Sheila Grigg officiating.

Visitation was from 2-3 p.m. prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

Interment was at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Brandon Justice of Shelby; and great-grandchildren, Vince Parker, Lane Parker, and Tory Jan Parker.

A graveside service was held Monday, April 29 at Gaston Memorial Park, Gastonia, at 11 a.m. with Dr. John Sloan officiating. Visitation was immediately following the service at the cemetery.

Interment was at Gaston Memorial Park, Gastonia.

Memorials may be made to Willow Ridge of North Carolina Nursing and Rehabilitation Center "Activities Department", 237 Tyron Rd., Rutherfordton, NC 28139.

A guest register is available at [www.harrisfunerals.com](http://www.harrisfunerals.com).

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

**Harris  
Funeral Home**

### Eddie Turner

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Carley Edward "Eddie" Turner, 60, passed away Friday, April 26, 2013 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A memorial service was held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel Tuesday, April 30, at 11 a.m., with Pastor Tim Sims officiating.

Visitation was held one hour prior to the memorial service at Harris Funeral Home.

### Lowery Benson Wilson

GASTONIA - Lowery Benson Wilson, 86, formerly of Kings Mountain, passed Friday, April 26, 2013, at his home.

A graveside service was held Sunday, April 28, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain with Rev. Jerry Millwood officiating.

The family received friends Sunday, April 28, 1-2 p.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Kings Mountain, and other times at 410 E. Louisiana Ave. Bessemer City.

## POLICE - CRIME

### Investigation results in 12 arrests

A six-month probe of drugs and other criminal activity in the Ebenezer Community has resulted in the arrest of 12 suspects by the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff Alan Norman said that during the course of the investigation numerous families called his office and investigators met with dozens of people in order to better understand the problems and to get an insider's view of the community and its needs.

"We want to thank those residents who came forward and provided information to investigators," said Norman. He said that information allowed investigators to quickly discover the problems and develop a plan to address each individual person and problem.

Norman said that investigators utilized high visibility patrols, door-to-door contacts, license check stations, as well as undercover operations to address the reported problems.

The following suspects, nine men three women, were charged as a result of two separate search warrants by officers:

Kenneth Williams Sr., 112 Dashielle Lane, Kings Mountain, three counts possession with intent to sell cocaine, two counts sell and deliver cocaine, one count possession of cocaine \$100,000 secured bond.

Pamela Renee Beaver, 112 Dashielle Lane, Kings Mountain, two counts possession with intent to sell cocaine; two counts sell and deliver cocaine; one count possession with intent to sell marijuana; and one count possession drug paraphernalia, \$100,000 secured bond.

Kenneth Williams Jr., 103 Ebenezer Rd., Kings Mountain, six counts possession with intent to sell cocaine; four counts sell and deliver cocaine; two counts posses-

sion with intent to sell marijuana; one count possession of firearm by convicted felon; one count possession drug paraphernalia; one count driving while impaired; one count driving while license revoked; one count fictitious registration plate; \$150,000 secured bond.

Anthony Thomas Griffa, 407 W. Sullivan St., Gastonia, breaking and entering, larceny of motor vehicle, felony conspiracy, felony probation violation, felony flee to elude police, and driving while license revoked.

Roberta Dee Heisler, warrants outstanding, 3014 Bettis Road, Grover, possession cocaine.

Others arrested during this extensive investigation:

James Fredrick Lary, 227 Ebenezer Rd., Kings Mountain, disorderly conduct and intoxicated and disruptive.

Zachary Taylor Arnold, 111 West College Ave, Shelby, possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana.

Jonathan Adam Garrett, 1023-5 Mary's Grove Church Road, Kings Mountain, possession of marijuana, possession drug paraphernalia.

Rebecca Lee Curry, 1146 Rollingbrook Rd., Kings Mountain, possession drug paraphernalia.

Jared Michelle Stokes, 104 Kermit Drive, Kings Mountain, resists, delay and obstruct police officer, driving while license revoked.

Tyler Demetris Williams, 212 Branchwood Circle, Kings Mountain, possession of marijuana, failure to wear a seat belt.

Travis Lavar Odems, 1078 Mountain Crest Dr., Kings Mountain, felony breaking and entering, felony conspiracy, felony larceny and possession stolen goods.

### ARRESTS

APRIL 23: A 16-year-old male was charged with domestic violence, assault, \$2,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 24: Edward Eugene Eubanks, 43, Gastonia, embezzlement, felony, \$5,000 bond, unsecured.

APRIL 24: Tangie Carroll Foster, 23, 910 First St., possession stolen vehicle, felony, unauthorized use of vehicle, \$3,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 24: Stephen Russell Jamerson, 68, 123 Galilee Church Rd., larceny, possession stolen property, \$1,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 24: Phyllis Gossett Patterson, 56, 602 Margrace Rd. Apt. 2, DWI, exceeding safe speed, \$500 bond, secured.

APRIL 25: Andrew Jordan Moss, 22, 813 Margrace Rd., reckless driving, driving while license revoked, possession of firearm by felon, felony, no bond.

APRIL 26: Christy Denton Howard, 45, 117 Parkdale Circle, larceny, \$1,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 26: Fostina Legretta Sanders, 47, 408 Grace St., felony embezzlement, \$2500 bond, unsecured.

APRIL 27: Christopher Wayne Grigg, 20, 143 Phifer Rd., larceny, underage drinking, \$1000 bond, secured.

APRIL 27: Aaron Albrecht, 25, 1203 Sparrow Springs Rd., driving while license revoked, open container, \$7500 bond, unsecured.

APRIL 28: Heaven Coralie Schafhirt, 28, Biloxi, MS, larceny, possession stolen goods, \$5,000 bond, secured.

### CITATIONS

APRIL 18: Charlie Herman Hope, 28, Cherryville, revoked license.

APRIL 21: Tony Christopher Barnett, 23, 6228 Adel St., no operator's license.

APRIL 23: Jeffrey Dean Moss, 48, 805 Margrace Rd., revoked license, faulty equipment, right headlight out.

APRIL 23: Linda Gay Warlick, 49, 537 St. Luke Church Rd., no inspection, expired tag.

APRIL 23: Holly Parton, 35, Grover, no inspection, expired tag.

APRIL 24: Vernon W. Lamb, 35, Shelby, revoked license.

APRIL 24: Patrick Tyler Philbeck, 22, 310 Walker St., possession drug paraphernalia.

APRIL 24: Tiedevonona Octavia Petty, 22, Shelby, no insurance, fictitious tag.

APRIL 26: Kasha Mitchem, 23, 207 S. Gaston St., expired tag.

APRIL 27: Jarrett McAbee, 25, Bessemer City, no inspection, expired tag, exceeding safe speed.

### INCIDENTS

APRIL 22: D. Phillips Diamond World, 110-3 King St., reported a break-in and theft of 15 assorted rings.

APRIL 24: A resident of Rhodes Ave. reported a break-in and theft of a Dell Notebook laptop, Play Station, games and remote controls valued at over \$1,000.

APRIL 24: Advance Auto Parts, 512 E. King St., reported embezzlement of currency.

APRIL 24: Gibson Industrial, 1501 York Rd., reported larceny

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