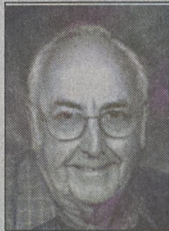


## OBITUARIES

### David L. Huffstetler

KINGS MOUNTAIN - David L. Huffstetler, age 83, resident of 415 Range Road, Kings Mountain, N.C., died



January 25, 2014, at his home. He was born in Gaston Co. NC to the late Robert Theodore Huffstetler and Mylie Dixon Huffstetler. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Julia Yarbro Huffstetler; brothers, Bobby Huffstetler and Samuel Bruce Huffstetler; sister, Sarah Mae McDaniel.

Mr. Huffstetler was a fabricator and drafting expert, retiring after 25 years from Mundy Machine Co, Dallas, NC. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Kings Mountain and served in the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict. Mr. Huffstetler enjoyed fishing, golfing, farming, and gardening.

The family would like to extend a special Thank You to Hospice of Gaston County for their love and care.

Survivors include his brother Jerry Huffstetler and wife Peggy, Talladega, AL; sisters Doris Hardin, Spartanburg, SC; Frances Lail and husband Jack, Kings Mountain; Theo Hawkins,

Cramerton, NC; Annie Robinson and husband, Mitchell, Gastonia, NC; Gloria Smith and husband Dick, York, SC; Gail Moss, Myrtle Beach, SC; Margie Kircus and husband Clifford, Cramerton; special nephews and nieces: Charlie and Susan Sipes, Jennifer and Greg Laye, Knot and Pam Yarbro, all of Kings Mountain; caregivers Colene Bledsoe, Diane Almond, Louise Bray, Brenda Strickland; and many loving nephews and nieces.

A funeral service was held at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Tuesday, January 28, with Dr. Steve Taylor officiating. Visitation was 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, January 27, at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, and other times at his home, 415 Range Road, Kings Mountain.

Interment is at Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery, Kings Mountain. Memorials may be sent to Bethlehem Baptist Church, 1015 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or Gaston Hospice, 258 E. Garrison Blvd, Gastonia, NC 28054.

A guest registry is available at [www.harrisfunerals.com](http://www.harrisfunerals.com). Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

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### Scott Patterson

SHELBY - Scott Patterson, 52, of 1826 Riverhill Dr., died peacefully Monday, January 20, 2014, at his home.

Funeral services were 4

p.m. Thursday, January 23 at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, with Rev. Allen Davis officiating. The family received friends following the service, at the church, and other times at his home.

### CAREGIVERS MEETING

Life Enrichment Center will have a meeting for caregivers of individuals with dementia on Tuesday, Feb. 18, from 5:30 p.m.- 7 p.m. titled, "Let's Talk About Dementia" at the Life Enrichment Center, 110 Life Enrichment Blvd., Shelby. A free sitter service will be available but reservation is required by Feb. 12 by calling 704-484-0405.

### Myra Faye Price

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Myra Faye Price, age 60, resident of 504 Monroe



Avenue, Kings Mountain, N.C., died January 27, 2014, at Cleveland Regional Medical

Center, Shelby, N.C. She was born in Chester, S.C., to the late Howard Lee Parker and Margaret Rippy Davis. She was also preceded in death by her stepfather, Nathan Davis and brother, Kenneth Howard Parker. Myra was a member of Grace United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain. She was a Pharmacy Technician and store manager at Griffin Drug Center for 44 years. She was a loving and devoted wife, sister, aunt, and friend.

Survivors include her husband of 40 years, Carl Edward "Rat" Price, Jr., Kings Mountain, brother Roger Parker and wife Brenda, Bumpass, Va., sisters Mona Hinson and husband Eddie, Kings

### Judy Logan Herndon

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Judy Logan Herndon, age 76, a resident of Kings Mountain passed away at her home on Sunday, January 26, 2014. She was born in Cleveland County, N.C., daughter of the late W. Lawrence Logan and Helen Cornwell Logan and was also preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Bob Herndon.

She was a member of Kings Mountain Baptist Church, a Sunday school teacher, and a former member of the Town and Country Garden Club. She was a loving mother and grandmother who loved to spend time with her grandkids. She retired after 40 years from Kings Mountain District Schools and Cleveland County Schools as a teacher's assistant.

She is survived by daughters Lisa Herndon Leach and husband, Tim, Forest City, Laura Herndon McGill and husband Chip, Kings Mountain, Melanie Herndon Hayes and husband Lynn, Kings Mountain; brothers Lane Logan and wife Donna, Kings Mountain, Larry Logan, Chapel Hill; sisters Lou Ann Bell

## Free event for students in grades six, seven, eight

Emerging Young Leaders, a signature program of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., in partnership with Grier Middle School in Gastonia will hold a free community summit, "Mission Impossible," for students in grades 6-8 in Cleveland,

Mountain, Dee Dee Howell and husband Ken, Grover; sister-in-law Vickie Smith Parker, Kings Mountain, brother-in-law Ronald Scott Price and wife Monica, Murrells Inlet, S.C.; special nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at Grace United Methodist Church on Friday, January 31, at 2 p.m., with Rev. Tom Jolly and Rev. Eddie Gray officiating.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday evening, January 30, at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

Interment is at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150 or Grace United Methodist Church, 830 Church Street, Kings Mountain, NC 28086. A guest registry is available at [www.harrisfunerals.com](http://www.harrisfunerals.com).

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and husband Bill, Lexington, Linda Bowden and husband Nick, Kenansville, Sally

Carpenter and husband Pat, Anderson, S.C., Mary Helen Tate, Kings Mountain; grandchildren Tyler Leach, Wilmington, Ryan Leach, Raleigh, Hannah McGill, Los Angeles, Logan McGill, Boone, Brooke Hayes and fiancé Trey Deason, Kings Mountain.

Memorial services were held at Kings Mountain Baptist Church, Tuesday, January 28, at 4 p.m., with Rev. Tim Whitesides and Rev. Hobby Outten officiating.

The family received friends immediately after the service in the church fellowship hall. Interment is at Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Association, 222 S. Church St. Suite 3003 Charlotte, NC 28202. A guest registry is available at [www.harrisfunerals.com](http://www.harrisfunerals.com). Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

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## McClain sentenced to eight months

Jeffrey DeHarris McClain, 19, 1106 Groves St., pled guilty in Gaston County Superior Court last Tuesday to accidentally killing Octavious Leon Thomas, 26, 936 Shannon Rd., Gastonia, in what he said was "horse playing gone wrong."

He was sentenced to eight months behind bars on charges of involuntary manslaughter, ordered to complete 250 hours of community service, pay court costs and reimburse the Thomas family for funeral costs. After he completes three more months of jail time he will be released on probation.

McClain had been in jail since the night of March 20, 2013 when he admitted to accidentally stabbing his mother's boyfriend.

According to court testimony, the two were horse playing with pretend objects like wooden spoons and the winner scored points. On March 20 they had been at a family barbecue and

Thomas had won a game. That night back at home, McClain said he wanted to earn a point, grabbed a knife from the kitchen, ran to Thomas and tripped, stabbing and puncturing the man's lung.

Kings Mountain police were called at 26 minutes after midnight March 20, 2013 and found a bleeding Thomas in the yard of the residence shared by McClain and his mother, Felicia Carothers. Thomas died at the hospital. Police investigated the incident as a homicide. An officer in court testified there was no evidence of premeditation or motive.

News media covering the trial reported that Thomas' mother spoke to Superior Court Judge Eric Levinson saying McClain had taken something from her that she could never get back. "He won't get to see his baby get born, his kids will never know him," said Carolyn Thomas.

## POLICE REPORT

### ARRESTS

JAN. 23: Barry D. Ross, 44, 909 Groves St., assault by pointing a gun, communicating threats and interfering with emergency communications, no bond.

JAN. 27: Joshua D. Lerner, 25, Pauline, S.C., flee and elude arrest, speeding, reckless driving, \$15,000 bond, secured.

### CITATIONS

JAN. 22: Duddy Moore, Jr., 60, 1040 Barnett Dr., displaying expired registration plate.

JAN. 22: Phillip W. Martin, Jr., 29, possession of an open container of alcohol in the passenger area of a vehicle.

JAN. 25: Cory M. Hoursey, 24, Charlotte, no automobile insurance.

JAN. 26: James M. Williams, 43, 900 Grace St., expired registration plate.

### INCIDENTS

JAN. 21: A resident of Northwoods Dr. reported breaking and entering and damage to a sliding window and a side door.

JAN. 22: The Food Lion on Shelby Rd. reported the theft of three ribeye steaks with an unlisted value.

JAN. 22: A resident of N. Piedmont Ave. reported the theft of a black combination outdoor grill, propane tank and accessories with a value of \$300.

JAN. 23: The Rite Aid on E. King St. reported the theft of bottles of Prilosec and Alli weight loss product with a total value of \$121.

JAN. 26: The One Stop convenience store on Shelby Rd. reported damage to one of its gas pumps.

### WRECKS

JAN. 17: Officer Chris L. Tate said a 2004 Chevrolet operated by James. E. Magar rear-ended a 2006 Honda operated by Pauline W. Williams while traveling west on U.S. 74 bypass. The estimated damages to the Chevrolet and the Honda were \$1,000 and \$4,000, respectively.

JAN. 17: Officer M.J. Howard said a 2011 Ford operated by Kimberly L. Cloninger struck a 2007 Subaru operated by Judy A. McLendon at the intersection of the U.S. 74 off-ramp and N.C. 161. The estimated damages to the Ford and the Subaru were \$500 and \$1,500, respectively.

JAN. 17: Officer C.L. Tate said a 2007 Mazda operated by Stephanie G. Martin struck a 2007 Chevrolet operated by Wayne P. Smith on N.C. 161. The estimated damages to the Mazda and the Chevrolet were \$600 and \$4,500, respectively.

JAN. 19: Officer H.W. Carpenter said a 2004 Ford operated by Amanda T. Van Buren struck a 2004 Hyundai operated by Samantha R. Varnadore in a parking lot at 709 York Rd. The estimated damages to the Ford and the Hyundai were \$400 and \$600, respectively.

JAN. 19: Officer H.W. Carpenter said a 2010 Toyota operated by Terry C. Broome struck a deer on Waco Rd., receiving an estimated \$1,000 in damage.

JAN. 20: Officer F.L. Wittington said a 2004 Pontiac owned by Lisa R. Cash rolled into a 2002 Chevrolet owned by David L. Smith. The estimated damages to the Pontiac and the Chevrolet were \$500 and \$900, respectively.

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