

OBITUARIES

Christine Martin Chapman

Loving mother and grandmother

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Christine Martin Chapman, age 76, resident of 535 Stoney Point Rd., Kings Mountain, NC died March 25, 2014 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.

She was born in Cleveland Co. NC, the only daughter of the late James R. Martin and Maggie Phillips Martin Cabe. She was also preceded in death by brother, Maynard Camp. She was retired from Mauney Hosiery, Kings Mtn. NC. She was a loving mother and grandmother.

Survivors include her son Bobby R. Moore, Kings Mtn. NC; Daughters:

Pamela C. Hubbard and husband Dale, Kings Mtn. NC; Delores A. Chapman, Kings Mtn. NC; Grandchildren: Pastor Michael Rote and wife Isela, Kings Mtn. NC; Jonathan Rote and wife Brandy, Kings Mtn. NC; Karen M. Acuff and husband Shane, 29 Palms, CA; 3 great-grandchildren: Stephanie Acuff, 29 Palms, CA; Isaiah Rote and Jayden Rote, both of Kings Mtn. NC; Sisters: Hazel Smith, Kings Mtn. NC and Juanita Stacey, Kings Mtn. NC; Other family members and special friends

A graveside service is set for Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Shelby, NC Thursday, March 27, 2014, at 2 p.m., with Pastor Michael Rote officiating.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mtn. NC. Interment is at Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, Shelby, North Carolina.

Harris Funeral Home

Teresa Atkins

GROVER - Teresa Ann Atkins, 50, of Runyan Rd., died Sat., March 22, 2014, at her home.

A memorial service will be Wednesday, 3 p.m., at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Mickey Pruitt officiating.

The family will receive friends following the service, at the funeral home.

Elizabeth Camp

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Elizabeth Ovella Moore Camp, 77, of Bridges Dr., died Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at her home. A native of Cherokee Co., SC, she was the daughter of the late

Earnest and Lillie Moore.

Graveside services were Friday, March 21 at 11 a.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery, with Rev. James Lochridge officiating. The family received friends Friday from 10-10:45 a.m., at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Kings Mountain.

David A. Dingus

GROVER - David A. Dingus, age 47, resident of Gainesville, Fla., formerly of Grover, N.C., died March 17, 2014, at his home.

A funeral service was held at New Buffalo Baptist Church, Grover, on Friday, March 21, at 4 p.m., with Rev. Adam Green and Rev.

Charles E. Wilson

U.S. Marine veteran

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Charles Edward Wilson, age 87, a resident of 1506 Washington Street, Kings Mountain, died Saturday, March 22, 2014 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.

Born in Cleveland County, NC, son of the late Martin Luther Wilson, Sr. and Essie

Pearl Allman Wilson he was also preceded in death by his brother Martin Luther Wilson, Jr.

He was a former member of the Kings Mountain Rotary Club, Citizens Who Care, Kings Mountain and the NC Army National Guard Association, and member of First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain where he sang in the choir. Charles also donated the sound system for the hearing impaired at First Baptist Church and East Gold Street Wesleyan Church.

He served in the US Marines during WWII and the Korean War. He retired from the NC National Guard after 35 years serving as a Master Sergeant with the 105th Engineer Battalion.

Dale Angel officiating.

Visitation was from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Friday, prior to the service in the Sanctuary of New Buffalo Baptist Church and other times at the home of his parents, 109 N. Main Street, Grover.

Interment is at Grover Cemetery, Grover.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years Coleen Brooks Wilson; sons, Fleete L. Wilson and wife Lesia, Kings Mountain, and Baron L. Wilson and wife Sharon, Roxboro, NC; brother Robert Lee "Bob" Wilson and wife Julia C. "Judy" Kings Mountain; sister-in-law Sandra B. Wilson, Kings Mountain. Grandchildren, Brooks Wilson and wife Megan, Gatlinburg, TN, Fleete L. "Chip" Wilson II, Kings Mountain, Casey Wilson and wife Kaitlyn, Roxboro; great grandchild Claire Wilson, Gatlinburg, TN.

A funeral service is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Harold E. Fite officiating.

Visitation is 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home. Interment is at Mountain Rest Cemetery with full military honors provided by the NC National Guard.

Memorials may be sent to Kings Mountain Hospice House, 961 Wendover Heights Dr. Shelby, NC 28150. A guest registry is available at www.harrisfunerals.com. Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

Harris Funeral Home

Ellen Johnson

SHELBY - Mrs. Ellen G. Johnson, 58, of Lakeview St., died Saturday, March 22, 2014, at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A private family service will be held. Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Shelby.

Anna Eskridge

LAWNDALE - Mrs. Anna Eskridge, 100, resident of Willow Ridge Nursing Home in Rutherfordton, formerly of Lawndale, passed away Wednesday March 19, 2014.

A funeral service was held Saturday 3 p.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home Chapel of Shelby, with Rev. Keith Howell officiating. Burial followed in Rose Hill Memorial Park in Fallston.

Rev. William Haynes

LINCOLN - Rev. William Wayne Haynes, age 85, died March 20, 2014 at the River Oaks Senior Care, Beaufort, SC.

A funeral service was held Monday, March 24, at 3 p.m., at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Visitation was from 1 to 3 p.m. prior to the service.

Interment is at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Seth Johnson

SHELBY - Mr. Seth Johnson, 97, 1635 S. Dekalb St., passed away Monday, March 17, 2014, at Wendover Hospice. A native of Charleston, SC, he was born August 19, 1916, son of the late Rebecca Johnson. He was a WWII veteran.

A memorial service was held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 24 at First Wesleyan of Shelby. The family received friends after the service at the church. Burial will be private for the family at a later date.

Randolph Lowery

SHELBY - John Randolph Lowery, 89, of Pleasant Hill Church Rd., passed away Monday, Mar. 24, 2014, at White Oak Manor

of Kings Mountain.

Funeral services are Thursday, March 27, at 2 p.m., at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, with Rev. Gregg Martin and Dr. Buddy Freeman officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, at the church, and other times at the home of Dr. Richard and Meda Dixon, 2260 Pleasant Hill Church Rd., Shelby. Burial is at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery

James S. Thompson

SHELBY - Mr. James Stanley Thompson, 81, 116 Lindsey Lee Lane, passed away Saturday, March 22, 2014, at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, 2 p.m., at Shelby First Church of the Nazarene.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home of Shelby, and other times at his home.

Burial will immediately follow at Cleveland Memorial Park with military honors.

Robert L. White

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Robert L. White, Sr., 87, 414 Wilson St., passed away Friday, March 21, 2014, at Belaire Care Center in Gastonia.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, March 29, 2014, at 2 p.m. at Bynum Chapel AME Zion Church in Kings Mountain.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

BURTON - OPINION

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behalf of the Catawba Indians.

A representative of the Kings Mountain Awareness Group has addressed both the City Council and the County Commissioners pleading for an opportunity to present evidence in a public forum to them that is contrary to what the governing bodies heard from the Catawba's. The Awareness group also wanted to have expert speakers that have knowledge of how casinos have adversely affected other areas where they have been allowed to exist.

I was personally present at the Cleveland County Commissioners meeting and I can say for certain that Adam Forcade spoke directly to the issue and was very clear in his request for a public forum with the Commissioners in order to bring forth facts that could prove the Commissioners got limited and biased information concerning a casino. I also witnessed a quiet, non-responsive group of Commissioners. Al-

though they gave him his required 3 minutes they did not reply in any manner. As a matter of fact, as quickly as they could run through their public agenda they called for a closed door session to discuss a personnel matter. As of this writing on March 21st none of the Commissioners have contacted Mr. Forcade, even though the meeting took place on the 18th and Adam Forcade left his contact information with the Clerk at the meeting and advised the Commissioners he was doing so.

Also speaking at the meeting against the Casino was Alton Beal, Mayor of Lattimore. The Mayor was speaking because he had personal experience seeing the downside of casinos in several areas where he worked in other parts of the country. Mayor Beal is also a Christian Pastor. By the way, there were fourteen of us supporting the Kings Mountain Awareness Group at the Commissioners meeting.

Although I was not able to attend the short meeting earlier with the City Council and Mayor I understand that pretty much the same thing occurred. And, I know from my own re-

sults with my Council representative that the issue of a public hearing has been pretty much ignored.

We, the citizens of Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, NC, USA have become so quiet and withdrawn that we automatically accept what happens when elected officials make decisions that affect us. It's time to change that behavior.

I can understand why the Mayor, Council members and Commissioners would not want to admit they made a mistake by not researching the effects a casino might have on the communities surrounding it. After all, they were promised the sparkles of success. And, I can forgive their human instinct for self preservation; but I can't let their personal views speak for all of us without our backing. They have made a grievous mistake and need to own up to it by at least hearing the facts presented by the opposite view.

BEAUFORD BURTON
Kings Mountain, NC





Hospice in need of supplies

March and April immediate needs for the Hospice Houses, Shelby and Kings Mountain, and In-Home Care:

Bottled water, canned drinks, instant coffee, artificial sweetener, snacks for family kitchen, variety pack of cereal, fruit cups, pudding pops/popsicles/ices for children; trash bags 13 gallon size and larger, toilet tissue, paper towels, cups- 12-16 oz., Styrofoam plates, cleaning supplies: disinfectants, room deodorizer spray, dish detergent, laundry detergent, small pull ups for men and women, antibacterial hand sanitizer - 10-12 oz, lunch or dinner for patient families and/or 12 hour shift nurses.

Also - friendly visits, patients love to see youth groups.

For additional information, call Sharon Martin, 704-751-3591.

Kings Mountain Weekend Weather			
Thursday March 27  Partly Cloudy - 61° 10% Chance of precipitation Night time Low 45°	Friday March 28  Rain - 66° 70% Chance of precipitation Night time Low 49°	Saturday March 29  Few Showers - 65° 30% Chance of precipitation Night time Low 42°	Sunday March 30  Sunny - 68° 10% Chance of precipitation Night time Low 40°

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