

OBITUARIES

Linda Fulbright Helton

GASTONIA - Mrs. Linda Ann Fulbright Helton, 69, of Gastonia, died Saturday, September 27, 2014, at Peak Resources. A native of Lowell, she was born March 1, 1945 a daughter of James and Virginia Hudspeth Fulbright.

Linda earned her B.S. degree from Sacred Heart College and her Masters of Education from NC A & T University. She retired after serving 25 years at Tryon Elementary School. During her career, she was a member of the North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE), listed in the Top 100 of NC Educators, and won numerous awards on the local and state level.

She was a member of First Wesleyan Church in Gastonia where she was a former school administrator, in Women's Circle, and a Sunday school teacher.

Survivors of Mrs. Helton include her children, Robert C. Helton, Jr. of Gastonia; David Alan Helton of Gastonia; Valerie H. Moore and husband Mike of Stanley;



daughter-in-law, Lureen Helton of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Joshua Helton of Kings Mountain; Madeline and Lucas Moore of Stanley; brothers and sister-in-law, Dr. Tony and Gayle Fulbright of Stanley; Jack Fulbright of Lowell; sisters and brothers-in-law, Melva and Bobby Aldridge of Lowell; Denise and Jackie Bradley of Dallas; numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Columbus Helton.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 from 11:00am to 1:00pm at First Wesleyan Church. A funeral service will be held at 1:00pm on Wednesday, at the church with Reverend Tim Smith and Dr. Tony Fulbright officiating. Interment will follow the service at Gaston Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Wesleyan Church, 208 S. Church St., Gastonia, NC 28054. Condolence messages may be sent online at www.McLeanFuneral.com. McLean Funeral Directors of Gastonia is serving the family of Mrs. Helton.



Myetta Alouise Oates

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Myetta Alouise Oates was born April 6, 1937 in Kings Mountain, North Carolina to the late George Womic and Arletha Logan Womic. She began her eternal life on September 24, 2014.

Mrs. Oates' life was devoted to servicing her church in many different ways. She became a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church at an early age and began teaching Sunday school at 15 years old. She continued this service to the church for 60 years until her health failed.

She also served as the president of the Missionary Department, Director of Vacation Bible School, Flower Committee, Children's Nursery and several other auxiliaries. In addition, she worked diligently with the Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Association in various roles.

Mrs. Oates was a valedictorian graduate of Washington School in Waco, North Carolina. She continued her education at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, NC where she earned a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. After completing her degree, she returned to Washington Elementary and taught 33 years at the second grade level before retiring in 1994.

As a civic minded member of community, Mrs. Oates was a lifetime member of the NAACP and was



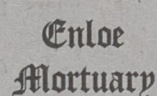
selected as Mother of the Year for the State of North Carolina 1979. In addition, she was very active in voter registration for Cleveland County which President Bill Clinton personally recognized with a phone call after his re-election. In honor of Floyd Womic, her late brother, she was an avid supporter and sponsor of the National Kidney Foundation. She also served a term as Chaplain of the Kings Mountain Senior Citizens Center.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 39 years, Summey Alexander Oates; two sisters, May Hattie Barron and Maudlean Wilson; five brothers, George Jr, John, Floyd, Caleb, and Richard.

She leaves cherished memories with her two daughters, Beverly Ann Oates Jones (John Douglas) of Kings Mountain; and Loretta Oates of Minneapolis, Minnesota; a sister Doris (Tina) of Bridgeport, Connecticut; along with a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Sept. 28, at 3 p.m. at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, interment following in the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation at www.kidney.org/donate or the donor's choice.

Condolences may be made to www.Enloes.net Enloe Mortuary in Shelby was in charge of arrangements.



George Thomas Anton

GROVER - George Thomas Anton, age 85, resident of Grover, NC passed away peacefully September 24, 2014, in his home.

A funeral service was held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30. Visitation was from 11 to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.

Interment is at Grover Cemetery, Grover.

Alice "Dot" Daves

SHELBY - Alice "Dot" Daves, 83, died Sun., Sept. 28, 2014, at Kings Mountain Hospice House. Graveside services were held on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. at Sunset Cemetery. The family received friends following the service at the cemetery.

Tracie Dale Dover

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Tracie Dale Guiton Dover, age 44, resident of Kings Mountain, passed away September 24, 2014, in her sleep at her home.

A funeral service was held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, Saturday, September 27, at 3:30 p.m. Visitation was from 1:30 to 3 p.m. prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain. Interment is at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

James Ray Ellis

SHELBY - James Ray Ellis, 74, died Sunday, Sept. 28, 2014, at his home. A memorial service was held Tues-

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Ruth Eaker Gamble Mayhew

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ruth Eaker Gamble Mayhew, 96, passed away Saturday, September 27, 2014 at Kings Mountain Hospice House.



She was born in Lincoln County, NC on December 21, 1917 to Myrtle and Lafayette Eaker and resided in Kings Mountain most of her life. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her first husband, Leonard Gamble and by her second husband, Tom Mayhew; four brothers, Gerald, Wilbur, Ralph and Boyce; two sisters, Helen Warren and Averice Bridges and by her grandson, Tim Blanton.

She was a lifelong member of El Bethel United Methodist Church in Kings Mountain where she served in many positions. She was a member of the Kings Mountain Woman's Club and the American Legion Auxiliary, once serving as the State Chaplain. Ruth took pride in her family and enjoyed gardening and helping others. She had many hobbies including participating for many years in the Senior Olympic Games. Mrs. Mayhew served the Lord and her family through her love.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the caregivers and Hospice for their care given in the last

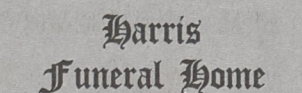
several months.

She is survived by her daughters Lois Blanton and husband, Howard, Kings Mountain, Barbara Hawkins and husband Garth, Kings Mountain; brother Jack Eaker and wife Neely, Kings Mountain; stepsons Tommy Mayhew and wife Judy, Shelby, Lee Mayhew and wife Pam, Shelby; granddaughter Lori Cruse and husband Charlie; four great-grandchildren Travis, Dylan, Bethany and Grayson Cruse; four step-grandchildren David Mayhew, Connie O'Neill and husband Patrick, Adrian Baker and husband David and Erika Mayhew; step-great-grandchildren Elizabeth, Ryan and Evan O'Neill, Ayden and Zachary Baker

A celebration of Life service was held at El Bethel United Methodist Church on Monday, September 29, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Tom Jolly officiating. Visitation was from 9:30-10:30 a.m. prior to the service at El Bethel United Methodist Church. Interment is at El Bethel United Methodist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to El Bethel United Methodist Church, 122 El Bethel Rd., Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

A guest registry is available at www.harrisfunerals.com. Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain.



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POLICE

ARRESTS

SEPT. 22: William Andrew Bigger, 59, 615 Floyd St., exceed speed limit, two counts, \$2500 bond, unsecured.

SEPT. 22: Christopher Markal Martin, 24, 18 Somerfield West, second degree trespassing, criminal summons.

SEPT. 22: Billy Smith, 71, 1050 Barnett Dr., assault by pointing gun, \$1000 bond, unsecured.

SEPT. 23: Claudette Morrison Sisk, 60, 109 Waco Road, possession with intent to sell, deliver cocaine, felony, sell/deliver, felony, possession drug paraphernalia, \$1000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 24: Rodrick Tyrell Watson, 26, 407-A Baker St., assault on female, no bond.

SEPT. 24: Toborris Marquette Allen, 30, 423 N. Tracy St., assault on female, \$2,000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 26: James Gary Gibson Jr., 40, Gastonia, two counts maintaining vehicle/dwelling, two counts manufacture marijuana, one count possession with intent to sell marijuana, all felonies, no bond. Six of the eight charges were from Gaston County and first appearance court date in Gaston County is September 30.

SEPT. 26: Scotty Franklin Douglas, 51, 500 S. Cherokee St., first degree trespassing, resist police officer, \$54,000 bond, secured. He was also charged with two counts probation violation and one count possession of drug paraphernalia.

SEPT. 27: A 16-year-old male was charged with communicating threats.

SEPT. 27: Alexandria Jade Thompson, 24, Gaffney, SC. Impaired driving, \$5,000 bond, unsecured.

SEPT. 27: Ryan Casey Cogdell, 23, 606 Mauney Ave., resist, delay, obstruct and assault on female, \$5,000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 27: Rodney Lewis McElveen, 42, Gastonia. Two counts unauthorized use of motor vehicle, driving while license revoked, \$1000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 28: Lewis Montrel Gash, 27, Shelby, order for arrest, driving while license revoked, \$1000 bond, secured.

CITATIONS

SEPT. 28: Curtis Lee Brooks, 27, 612 Charles St., Apt. 70, revoked license.

SEPT. 28: Robert F. Wilson, 45, 204 S. Sims St., expired tag, no inspection.

INCIDENTS

SEPT. 26: A resident of Huntingtowne Dr. reported theft of an electric guitar valued at \$1,000.

SEPT. 11: A resident of Parkdale Circle reported damage to a Sportsman camera.

SEPT. 23: Dollar General, 1012 Shelby Road, reported shoplifting.

SEPT. 23: A resident of Ridge Street reported that a Pomeranian dog damaged a swimming pool cover and fence.

SEPT. 23: A resident of Manor Drive reported that someone cut the lock on an outbuilding and took items.

SEPT. 23: Cash Pro Pawn Shop, 101 S. Battleground Ave., reported a customer attempted to pawn two diamond rings which didn't belong to her and again on

SEPT. 24 returned to the store with a Stevens rifle which did not belong to her.

SEPT. 24: A resident of Dutchess Drive reported an incident of fraud.

SEPT. 25: A resident of Meadowbrook Road reported theft of currency and two cartons of cigarettes from a vehicle.

SEPT. 25: A resident of

Jack Adams Road said that she was approached by a person promising to increase her profits if she gave the suspect money.

SEPT. 25: A resident of Oakland Drive reported theft of two cigars from his vehicle.

SEPT. 26: Dollar General, Shelby Road, reported shoplifting.

SEPT. 26: One Stop 125, 2120 Shelby Road, reported \$10,000 damage to gas pumps by vehicle damage and police are continuing investigation of the incident. Officer J. L. Dee said a woman backed her vehicle at pump No. 5, pumped gas and left without removing the gas nozzle.

WRECKS

SEPT. 14: Officer H.W. Carpenter said that Ashley Carroll, 104 Country Club Road, operating a 2001 Ford owned by Cleveland County Lifesaving & Rescue, was turning right on Parrish Drive onto Barnett Drive and hit a parked 2012 Dodge owned by the City of Kings Mountain. Property damages were estimated at \$4500.

SEPT. 15: Officer F.L. Wittington said that Kathy Johnson, Gastonia, was backing her 2004 Dodge from a parking space at Blackwood's and bumped a 2011 Nissan operated by Derrick Seigle, York, SC. Property damages were minor.

SEPT. 16: Officer J. L. Dee said that Brandy Michelle Robinson, 159 Crown Court, operating a 2005 Ford, slowed due to traffic in the roadway from a wreck that had just occurred further up the roadway. Her vehicle was rear-ended by a 1994 Chevy operated by Michael Dillard, 2034 Shelby Road, and Dillard's vehicle was rear-ended by a 1983 Ford operated by Cory Diprojetto, 414 N. Battleground Avenue in the chain reaction. Property damages were estimated at \$7,000. Gaston County EMS and Cleveland County EMS transported injured to hospitals.

SEPT. 17: Officer Kyle Bell said that vehicles operated by Jensen Fleisher, 101 Marcella Dr., and William Kornegay, 412 Wintergreen Court, collided on West Mountain Street. Property damages were estimated at \$5,000.

SEPT. 18: Officer H.W. Carpenter said that William Andrew Yarbboro, 565 Bethlehem Road, was backing his 1997 Ford from a parking space at 908 Shelby Road and struck a parked 1994 Honda owned by Kyle Moss, 111 Cyclone Lane. Property damages were estimated at \$1500 to the Moss vehicle.

SEPT. 18: Officer Kyle Bell said that Christopher Green of Cherryville, operating a 2009 Mazda, was traveling on US 74 Business and his car was hit by another vehicle which failed to stop. Property damage was slight.

SEPT. 19: Officer J.L. Dee charged Johnny Jerome Williams, Gastonia, with DWI after the driver wrecked his 2001 Ford on NC 216 striking an embankment on Margrace Road. Property damage was estimated at \$1,000.

SEPT. 19: Officer F.L. Wittington said that Steven Moffitt, Cherryville, operating a 2005 Cadillac, struck a 2008 Toyota operated by Lori Lewis, 114 Carol Lyn Road, on Phifer Road when he made a left turn to get into a turn lane and didn't see the other vehicle. Property damages were estimated at \$1800.

SEPT. 19: Officer F.L. Wittington cited Ann Ray Grigg, 126 Mary's Grove