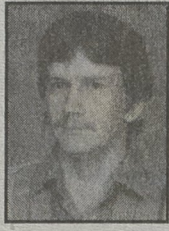


OBITUARIES

Ricky Ray Short

Kings Mountain resident

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ricky Ray Short, age 53, resident of #2 Bennett Drive



Kings Mountain, NC went to be with the Lord on May 17, 2015 at Carolinas HealthCare System Cleveland, Shelby, NC. He was born in Cleveland Co. NC to the late Mills and Carrie Short. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Ronnie Short and his sister, Gail Short. He was a former employee of Envirotech.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years Donna P. Short, Kings Mtn. NC; brothers Bobby Short, Kings Mtn. NC; Harold Short and wife Brenda, Kings Mtn. NC; Jackie

Short, Kings Mtn. NC; Vernon Short, Lincolnton, NC; sisters Geraldine Mull, Kings Mtn. NC; Mary Mull and husband Ken, Kings Mtn. NC; numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, Wednesday, May 20, at 1 p.m., with Rev. James Hamrick and Rev. Gary Teague II officiating.

Visitation was from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday evening, May 19, at Harris Funeral Home and from 11:30 to 12:30 Wednesday, May 20, prior to the service. Other times at the home, #2 Bennett Drive, Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

Interment is at Westview Gardens, Bessemer City, North Carolina.

Guest register available at www.harrisfunerals.com. Arrangements: Harris Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Kings Mountain.

Evelyn Ware Heavner

CHERRYVILLE - Evelyn Ware Heavner, 95, of Requa Road, died Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at her home. She was the widow of John F. Heavner Jr. and a World War II veteran of the USAF.

A Celebration of Life service was held at 3 p.m.

on Friday, May 15, 2015 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Vince Hefner officiating. Interment with military honors by the Cherryville American Legion Post 100 Honor Guard was held at City Memorial Cemetery and graveside rites by Cherryville Chapter 156 Order of the Eastern Star.

Danny Benfield

SHELBY - Daniel "Danny" Benfield, 50, died Thurs., May 14, 2015, at his home. A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of Pattie Stratton Benfield of Shelby, and the

late James Cecil Benfield. He served in the Navy, and was a former employee of Clearwater Paper. Graveside funeral services were held 3 p.m. Tuesday at Cleveland Memorial Park.

Maxine Goins Flowers

BESSEMER CITY - Maxine Goins Flowers, 80, wife of Ray Flowers for 62 years, died May 11, 2015 at Gateway Medical Center, Clarksville, TN.

A graveside service was held Saturday, May 16, 2015 at Bessemer City Memorial Cemetery, with Chaplain (Col.) Reinaldo

Velez, US Army (retired) officiating.

In addition to her husband, survivors are two sisters: Karen Moss and Diane Wellmon, both of Kings Mountain; her daughter Raelene and husband, Rey Velez, of Clarksville, TN, and a brother, Jake Goins of Brevard.

KM, Grover students receive college degrees

Fourteen students from Kings Mountain and two from Grover were among more than 600 students receiving degrees during spring commencement exercises held on May 9 at Gardner-Webb University. Seventy-one students were from cities and towns in Cleveland County.

Kings Mountain students earning degrees were Jonathan Michael Bundon, Pastoral Ministries; Jerret Cornelius Fite, Pastoral Care and Counseling; Zachary Lee Hayes, Nursing; Tana Condrey Heath, Family Nurse Practice; Alea

Caroline Lowman, Nursing; Brandon Lee McClain, Healthcare Management; Melani Diane McNeilly, Business Administration; Johanna Nichole Perez, Psychology; Ashley Jordan Reep, Economics/Finance; Tesla Dawn Rush, English; Zachary Thomas Smith, Discipleship studies; Matthew Wayne Tipton, Executive Leadership Studies; and Shana Marie Zwick, Elementary Education.

Madison Hoskins Cooper, of Grover, Nursing; and Mary Katelin McCall, Grover, Nursing and Psychology.

Martin finishes Army basic training

Army Pvt. James T. Martin has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training

exercises.

Martin is the son of Marshall T. Martin of Kings Mountain, N.C.

He is a 2014 graduate of Crest High School, Shelby, N.C.

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POLICE

ARRESTS

MAY 12: Samantha Rozell Thomas, 22, 118 Conner Dr., assault by strangulation, \$10,000 secured bond.

MAY 15: Antonio Maurice Wilson, 19, 120 Galilee Rd., assault on female, \$10,000 unsecured bond. He was also cited for possession of marijuana.

MAY 15: Johnny Ray Izard Jr., 22, Lincolnton, assault on female, \$2500 secured bond.

MAY 15: Marquacious Jernard Friday, 21, 612 Charles St., Apt. 12, assault on female, \$2500 secured bond.

MAY 16: Ada Keyon Blakeney, 35, Gastonia, second degree trespass, resist, delay, obstruct, \$10,000 secured bond.

CITATIONS:

MAY 7: Mary Routh Byers, 41, 210 Autumn Woods Dr., speeding.

MAY 15: Davey Kyle Seism, 21, Central, SC, stop sign violation.

MAY 15: Three 16-year-old males were cited for underage drinking and one 16-year-old male

was cited for underage drinking and possession of drug paraphernalia.

MAY 16: Matthew Ajon McClun, 41, 705 Stone St., no inspection, expired tag, no vehicle registration, failure to carry registration card.

MAY 17: Courtney Rae Sherbert, 19, 331 Oak Grove Rd., Trailer 16, speeding.

MAY 17: Stevie Alexander Smith, 53, 909 Church St., disorderly conduct, resist, delay and obstruct.

MAY 18: Michael Cameron Carter, 25, 5145 Battleground Ave., possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia

MAY 18: Barry Darby, 18, 142 Putnam Lake Rd., no electronic inspection of vehicle, expired tag

INCIDENTS

MAY 10: A resident of East Parker Street reported theft of an Alarm Force home security system.

MAY 11: A resident of Charlotte reported someone obtained groceries by using her credit/debit card.

MAY 11: A resident of

Wintergreen St. reported theft of a 1999 BMW, assorted jewelry and currency.

MAY 12: Food Lion, 610 E. King St., reported shoplifting of six steaks and two rolls hamburger meat.

MAY 12: A resident of Williamsburg Court reported theft of a gas hedge trimmer from a storage building.

MAY 12: A resident of Merrimont Ave. reported theft of a Pioneer stereo head unit from a 2008 Ford Mustang parked at the high school.

MAY 15: EZ Mobile, 108-B York Rd., reported damage to glass window panes.

MAY 15: A resident of N. Piedmont Ave. reported a break-in and theft of three TV sets, assorted jewelry and damage to a front window pane.

MAY 16: A resident of Charles Street reported damage to a 1991 Honda by multiple people fighting on it.

MAY 17: A resident of Church Street reported

that he was bit by a dog as he attempted to break-up a dog fight caused by a stray dog that came into his yard.

MAY 17: A resident of Victoria Circle reported theft of an I-phone by a suspect who threw the phone on the roadway and broke it.

WRECKS

MAY 10: Officer Kyle Bell said that Lenny Her-ring, York, SC, reported that a deer ran out in front of the 2006 Chevrolet he was driving on US 74. Property damage was estimated at \$2000.

MAY 13: Officer H. W. Carpenter said Justin Alan Clyde, 116 Montview Dr., fell asleep at the wheel of his 2015 Toyota on NC 161, ran off the left side of the road where it struck a utility pole, then came back onto the roadway traveling south in the northbound lane of Highway 161 and struck the rear axle of a 1998 International truck operated by Rolando Hurtado of Miami, Florida. Property damages were estimated at \$30,000.

\$20,000 reward offered for information leading to arrest in dog decapitation case

The fund to find the person or persons who decapitated a deaf and blind beagle has grown to \$20,000, according to Tri-County Animal Rescue.

Kings Mountain Police continue to receive calls - as far distant as California - about the crime but no one has been arrested.

Kings Mountain Police were called to 104 S. Gaston Street on April 30 in reference to a breaking and entering and animal cruelty report. Officers said it appeared someone jumped a fence in the yard before stealing an ax, shovel and propane tank.

The dog's body was found but its head was not. Authorities suspect the ax was used to decapitate the

pet whose name was Libby.

Libby, the beagle, was adopted by Dennis and Shirley Morrow of Kings Mountain through Tri-County Animal Rescue, Inc. in 2011.

In 2011, due to a serious eye disease a veterinarian had to remove her eyes in order for her to survive. "This did not stop Libby from having a wonderful life. She was adopted by a very loving family who cherished her for the past four years," Joann Hager of Tri-County Animal Rescue said.

An anonymous donor gave Tri-County Animal Rescue Inc. \$5,000 to start the fund. The reward has grown to \$20,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons or persons responsible



Libby, a deaf and blind beagle, was found decapitated on April 30. Police and Cleveland County Animal Control are seeking information about the crime.

for this heinous act of violence, said Hager.

If you know anything about this crime, call Det. Paul Alexander at 704-734-0444 or 704-730-2119 or Cleveland County Animal Control.

Anyone wishing to con-

tribute to the Libby Reward Fund can send a check to TCAR, PO Box 483, Alexis, NC 28006. Tri-County Animal Rescue Inc. is a 501c (3) not for profit organization. Any unused funds will revert to care for special needs dogs.

VFW Post elects new officers

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9811, Kings Mountain/Cherryville, elected new officers for 2015-16 on May 14.

The new officers, who will assume their duties in July, are Greg Olmstead, Commander; Harold Putnam, Senior Vice Commander; Victor Cherka, Junior Vice Commander, and Chuck Sperry, Quartermaster.

The Post is located on Margrace Road.

Life Outreach lunch

Life Outreach Ministry, 403 Cherokee St., will have the monthly community lunch on Wednesday, May 27 from 11 a.m.-12:30. The menu will be spaghetti casserole, tossed salad, garlic bread, desserts and iced tea. Everyone welcome.

Cleveland County woman wins \$150,000 in "Win it All"

RALEIGH - Katrina Angel of Lawndale is the latest player to win the \$150,000 top prize in the Win it All game. She purchased the lucky \$5 ticket at the Triple B One Stop on N.C. 274 in Cherryville.

After state and federal taxes were withheld, Angel received a check for

\$103,876. She beat odds of 1 in 1,020,000 to win the game's top prize.

The Win it All game went on sale on March 3. As of Friday morning, two top prizes remain to be claimed in the game.

Ticket sales have made it possible for the lottery to raise more than \$3.8

billion for the state. Net proceeds will be used this year to help pay salaries of teachers and teacher assistants, for pre-kindergarten programs for at-risk four-year-olds, for school construction and repair, and need-based college scholarships and financial aid.

Holiday and trash pickup schedule

City of Kings Mountain offices will be closed Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. Garbage service will be on a one day delay. Recycling service will be

changed as follows: routes 6 and 7 will be picked up on Tuesday, routes 8, 9, and 10 will be on their regular schedule.

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