

Alice Melissa Upchurch Coates

Dunn Daily Record

04/16/2008

Alice Melissa Coates, 88, died Tuesday, April 15, 2008, at Duke Raleigh Hospital. A native of Dunn, she was the wife of the late F. Wesley Coates. She was born Oct. 1, 1919, in Dunn to the late Charlie "Cad" and Nina Fitzgerald Barnes Upchurch.

Mrs. Coates was a businesswoman and retired bookkeeper for Dr. Gordon Townsend of Dunn. As a member of First Baptist Church in Dunn, she served giving her many talents in various roles in the church. She was a noted Girl Scout leader for Pines of Carolina and as a result of her leadership, the entire group achieved the highest Girl Scout award at the same ceremony. She was recognized by the Chamber of Commerce as the 1960 Woman of the Year. She was active for many years in the Professional Women's Club, serving in various roles, including president and regional vice president.

A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church in Dunn by Dr. Richard McDuffie and Dr. Len Keever. Burial will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Nina Coates Freeman and husband Numa Franklin Freeman Jr. of Louisburg; grandchildren, Melissa Freeman Edwards and husband Nelson Best Edwards, Heather Holden Freeman, Nina Winston Pernell and husband Scott Winfield Pernell; a great-granddaughter, Alexandra Melissa Edwards; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 309 W. Broad St., Dunn, NC 28334.

Barnes Jones Clayton

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03/14/2006

Barnes Jones Clayton, 65, of 1280 N.C. 55 East, Coats, died Sunday, March 12, 2006, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. He was born Sept. 21, 1940, in Harnett County to the late Paul and Marie Barnes Clayton. He was a painting contractor. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Wednesday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Coats by the Rev. Ronnie Byrd. Burial will follow at Lakeside Memorial Gardens in Angier.

Survivors include a daughter, Angela Lee and husband Jimmy of Angier; sons, Mitchell Clayton and wife Lisa of Coats, and Robert Paul Clayton of Sanford; a brother, Boyd Clayton of Willow Spring; five grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats. Condolences may be sent to www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Clyda Barnes Wilmoth

Dunn Daily Record
09/19/2006

Clyda Barnes Wilmoth, 93, of Coats died Sunday morning, Sept. 17, 2006, at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. The Johnston County native was the daughter of the late Nessie and Flonnie G. Barnes. She was preceded in death by brothers, Dennis Barnes and Wallace Barnes; sisters, Marie Clayton, Pearl Ingram and Reba Parrish; and a son-in-law, Haywood Williams. She was a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church in Coats. A funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home in Dunn by the Rev. Louis Strickland and Elder Fred Williams. Burial will follow at Coats City Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Gloria Hough and husband Stewart of Fayetteville, Rosa Sharp and husband Ralph of Neeses, S.C., Mary Williams of Charlotte, Becky Taylor and husband Earl of Dunn; grandchildren, Lisa Barfield, Lori Murphy, Randy Sharp, Donna Livingston, Rhonda Robinson, Romona Midkiff, Gina Sinacori, Kim Christy, Tommy Williams and Chad Taylor; great-grandchildren, Lauren Raymes, Emily Raymes, Ryan Murphy, Amanda Chisom, Rachelle Jeffcoat, Zackary Livingston, Christopher Midkiff, Dustin Midkiff, Reece Sinacori, Bryce Sinacori and Connor Sinacori; great-great-grandchild, Riley Jeffcoat; and a sister, Etta Cobb of Angier.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at the funeral home.

Dennis Opie Barnes

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
May 6, 1997

ANGIER -- Dennis Opie Barnes, 80, of 2090 County Line Road died Monday in Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital in Dunn. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats. Burial will be in Lakeside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Barnes is survived by his wife, Eleanor E. Barnes; two daughters, Janie B. Figueroa of New Bern and Kay F. Wiggins of Angier; a son, Opie L. Barnes of Elgin, S.C.; three sisters, Clyda Wilmo and Marie Clayton, both of Coats, and Etta Cobb of Angier; a brother, Wallace Barnes of Angier; and four grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Dorothy Jean Barnes Valsame

Dunn Daily Record
10/21/2005

Dorothy Jean Barnes Valsame, 71, of Garner died Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2005. She was born June 14, 1934, in Coats to the late Howard Benjamin Barnes and Iris Jean (Langdon) Barnes. She was a 1952 graduate of Coats High School and a 1956 graduate of East Carolina University. Mrs. Valsame worked for many years as a teacher or librarian at various schools, including New London High School, Stanley County; Chapel Hill Junior High School, Chapel Hill; Whiteville High School, Whiteville; Rohanen High School, Richmond County; Vance Sixth Grade Center, Wake County; Washington Sixth Grade Center, Raleigh; and Garner Senior High School, Garner. She was a member of Averagesboro Road Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home in Garner. Visitation will follow the services. Burial will be at Coats City Cemetery at 3 p.m.

Survivors include her husband, James Valsame; a daughter, Jimi Anne Valsame Gibson and husband Joseph of Raleigh; sons, George Thomas Valsame of Garner and James Mark Valsame of Raleigh; granddaughters, Laura Rachel Marsh and Amanda Leigh Gibson of Raleigh; and a sister, Allie Mae Barnes Herring of Concord.

Eleanor Louise Ennis Barnes

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
August 8, 2002

ANGIER -- Mrs. Eleanor Ennis Barnes, 83, of 2090 County Line Road, died Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2002, in her home. Mrs. Barnes was a homemaker. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday in Coats Baptist Church by the Rev. Jesse Mooney. Burial will be in Lakeside Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Barnes is survived by a son, Opie Barnes of Angier; a daughter, Janie Figuerosa of New Bern; four sisters, Lucille Clayton, Estelle Canaday, Atheline Johnson and Jackie Stallings, all of Smithfield; and four grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats.

Elton Jackson Barnes

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
November 21, 1997

Elton Jackson "Crip" Barnes, 77, died Thursday. Funeral 2 p.m. Saturday, Sugg Funeral Chapel, Fuquay-Varina. Burial, Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Willow Spring.

Surviving: son, Phillip G. Barnes and wife, Barbara of Timberlake; son, Tony Barnes and wife, Julia of Willow Spring; daughter, Daphne B. Bullock of Raleigh; daughter, Beverly B. Bowden of the home; brother, Sonny Boy Barnes of Angier; sister, Homezel Gillam of Portsmouth, Va., Maxine Absher and Barbara Ann Tuck, both of Richmond, Va; Martha Lou Winn of Zuni Va., Geraldine Tilley of Fuquay-Varina; 15 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. today, Sugg Funeral Home, Fuquay-Varina and at other times at the family home, 400 E. Depot St. Angier.

Franklin Pierce Barbee, Sr.

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
04/08/2007

Mr. Franklin Pierce Barbee Sr., 57, of Oak Island, died Thursday April 5, 2007, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Mr. Barbee was born in Pittsboro, NC on October 18, 1949, and was the son of the late Gibson V. Barbee Sr. and Dudley Womble Barbee.

He is survived by two sons, Franklin Barbee Jr. and wife, Stacey of Raleigh, and Christopher Barbee and wife, Lisa of Greensboro; a grandson, Trey Barbee; two brothers, Gibson V. Barbee Jr. and wife, Billie of Oak Island, and John L. Barbee of Southport; two sisters, Dudley Howard and husband, Rip of Arlington, VA, and Carolyn Clemmer of Oak Island; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be at 6:00 p.m., Monday, April 9, 2007, at the chapel of Peacock-Newnam and White Funeral Service, 1411 N. Howe Street, Southport with Reverend Charlie Carter officiating. The family will receive friends following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas Texas 75231-4596. Peacock-Newnam and White Funeral and Cremation Service, Southport (910) 457-6944.

Halford Dwight Godwin

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
June 14, 2002

COATS -- Halford D. Godwin, 69, died Monday, June 10, 2002, at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. Mr. Godwin was a retired civil service employee of 39 years at Fort Bragg. Graveside service 11 a.m. Monday, June 17, 2002, at the Godwin Family Cemetery in Harnett County.

Survivors: son, Dr. Maurice Godwin of Fayetteville, and sister, Lottie Pollard of Coats.

Memorials may be made to: National World War II Memorial, 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 501, Arlington, VA 22201 or call 800-639- 4WW2. Highland Funeral Service & Crematory of Fayetteville is in charge of arrangements.

Hattie Lou Ennis Barnes

Dunn Daily Record
01/06/2006

Hattie Ennis Barnes, 97, of Lillington died Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2006, at her home. She was born in Coats to the late John Haywood and Nancy Emily Stewart Ennis on July 6, 1908. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Isley Barnes in 1965; and brothers, Zalmon Ennis and John G. Ennis.

She was a public health nurse for Harnett County for 25 years and a member of Lillington Presbyterian Church for 56 years. A dedicated Circle Member and Sunday school teacher, Mrs. Barnes was presented with an honorary lifetime membership by the women of the church. She was also an active long-standing member of the Harnett County Democratic Party as well as a charter member of the Lillington Business and Professional Women's Club.

A graveside service will be held 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Westview Memorial Gardens in Lillington. A funeral service will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Lillington Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Dr. William Goodnight. The family will receive friends at her home and after the service in the church fellowship hall.

Survivors include a daughter, Carma Lou Baggett of Lillington; sisters, Nan Tew of Godwin and Ruby Maynard of Raleigh; a sister-in-law, Marjorie Ennis of Rose Hill; grandsons, Chris Baggett and wife Karen of Morehead City, Robert Baggett and wife Kristy of Johnson City, Tenn., and Neal Baggett of Bozeman, Mont.; great-grandchildren, C.J. Baggett, Brad Baggett, Isley Baggett, Zeb Baggett and Isabelle Baggett; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Lillington Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 345, Lillington, NC 27546. A service of O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home.



James Durran Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
06/01/2008

Durran Byrd, 50, of 13624 Buffalo Road, went home to be with his Lord Saturday morning surrounded by his family. His father, Birchel Byrd and father-in-law, Charles Barnes, preceded him in death. Funeral service will be held 3:00 p.m.

Monday at White Oak Baptist Church, with burial to follow at the church cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Tricia Barnes Byrd; children, Jeremiah and Hannah Jo Byrd of the home; mother, Maxine Byrd of McGee's Crossroads; sister, Becky B. Barefoot of Benson; brother, Dennis Byrd of McGee's Crossroads; mother-in-law, Lona Rea Barnes of Archer Lodge; special nephews and cousin, Charlie and Ben Barnes and LuAnn Creech.

Flowers accepted or memorial contributions may be made to the College Fund for Jeremiah and Hannah Byrd to Coastal Federal Credit Union, Clayton, NC 27520. The family will receive friends 1:30-2:45 p.m., Monday, prior to the service at the church and other times at the home. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home, Wendell.

James Leon Johnson, Sr.

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
September 9, 2001

James Leon Johnson Sr., 65, of Coats, died Friday in his home. Mr. Johnson worked in the public utility department for Harnett County. He was a member of Coats Untied Methodist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by the Rev. Tommy Smith. Burial will be in Coats City Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson is survived by a son, James L. Johnson Jr. of Coats; a daughter, Jackie E. Mills of Coats; a sister, Evelyn Roberts of Coats; and seven grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

James Wright Barnes

Bryan-Lee Funeral Home Notice
03/17/2007

James W. Barnes, 81, of Raleigh peacefully passed away on Friday, March 16, 2007 at Blue Ridge Health Care after a courageous 16 month battle with complications from a stroke. He was born on March 6, 1926 in the Harnett county community of Barclaysville to Everett and Minnie Fish Barnes. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 50 years, Marjorie Morgan Barnes, his parents, as well as his brother, Larry E. Barnes.

Jimmie graduated from Coats High School and King's Business College and worked for over 40 years in the office of the Raleigh soybean processing plant of The Buckeye Oil and Cottonseed Company, Ralston Purina Company, and Cargill Inc. He served as a Sergeant in the United States Army in Washington, D.C. during the Korean War.

Jimmie possessed a great love for God, his family, his church, and his community and was an active and lifelong member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, having served as a Deacon, Elder, Sunday School Director and as President of the Westminster Foundation. He regularly attended various events at the Whitaker Mill Senior Center and was always the Number One fan at ballgames, band concerts, and school activities for his beloved grandsons.

He is survived by his son, Michael Barnes and wife Kathy, two special grandsons, Joshua and Matthew of Raleigh, his brother Neal A. Barnes and wife Betty Sue of Petersburg, Virginia and a loving extended family.

The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at Westminster Presbyterian Church. The family will receive relatives and friends one hour prior to the service in the church parlor. Burial to follow at Montlawn Memorial Park.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Steven Liebowitz, Dr. John Lue and the caregivers in the Transitional Unit at Blue Ridge Heath Care for the wonderful and caring manner and support they have provided over the past 16 months.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 301 E. Whitaker Mill Rd., Raleigh, N.C. 27608. Arrangements by Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, 831 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh, N.C.; (919) 832-8225.

John Edward Ingraham

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07/14/2004

John E. Ingraham, 79, of Erwin, formerly of Dunn, died Tuesday at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh. The Wake County native was a son of the late Theodore and Deborah Reid Ingraham. Mr. Ingraham was a retired certified public accountant with John E. Ingraham and Associates. He was preceded in death by his wife, Pearl Barnes Ingraham. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. A private burial will be held at a later date.

Surviving are daughters, Linda Norris of Dunn, and Ella Anderson and husband John of Erwin; a brother J. Reid Ingraham of Rocky Mount; a sister, Ruth Flowers of Richmond, Va.; and grandchildren, Phillip A. Norris and Valerie Pastore.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Grove Presbyterian Church, 1358 Jonesboro Road, Dunn, N.C. 28334 or to Hospice of Harnett County, 111-A North Ellis Ave., Dunn, N.C. 28334. The family will receive friends from 1:30 until 3 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

John Lewis Barnes

Dunn Daily Record
12/23/2002

John Lewis "Sunny Boy" Barnes, 73, of 385 E. Lillington St., Angier, died Saturday. He was the son of the late Dester R. and Bettie Harper Barnes. He was a retired correctional officer with the N.C. Department of Correction. Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home Chapel in Angier. Burial will be at Angier Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Rachel Mangum Barnes; sisters, Homezelle B. Gilliam of Portsmouth, VA., Geraldine B. Tilley of Fuquay-Varina, Martha Lou B. Winn of Zuni, Va., and Barbara Ann B. Tester of Whitestone, Va.

Memorials may be made to the Angier United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 1748, Angier, N.C. 27501; or to the Angier Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 967, Angier, N.C. 27501.

Johnny Raeford Stephenson

Dunn Daily Record
10/10/2006

Johnny Raeford Stephenson, 77, of 603 W. Parrish Drive, Benson, died Sunday night, Oct. 8, 2006, at his home. He was born in Wake County on Oct. 27, 1928. He was preceded in death by his father, Silas Stephenson; and his mother, Alma Page S. Wade. Mr. Stephenson was a retired Ford dealer in Benson and was a member of Benson Baptist Church where he served in many capacities including chairman of the Board of Deacons. He was active in the community serving as president of the Benson Area Chamber of Commerce and president of the Benson Kiwanis Club. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday at Benson Baptist Church by the Rev. Michael Edwards and Dr. Mike Cogdill. Burial will follow at Roselawn Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Laurie Barnes Stephenson; sons, Randy and wife Bonnie of Benson, Timothy of Raleigh and Jeffrey of Durham; a daughter, Sue Ann Wood and husband John Wood III of Benson; grandchildren, John Robert Stephenson, Ruth Taylor Stephenson, Barnes Stephenson, Nathan Stephenson, John Wood IV, Kate Wood and Andrew Stephenson; and a sister, Jackie Castlebury and husband B.J. of Angier.

The family will receive friends at the home of Sue and John Wood, 607 W. Parrish Drive, tonight from 6 to 9. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to the Benson Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 323, Benson, NC 27504.

Lloyd Wesley Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
4/22/2005

Lloyd Wesley Byrd, 85, of Erwin died peacefully in Good Hope Hospital on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, surrounded by his wife of 61 years, Cleo Miller Byrd, and his daughters, Carolyn Byrd Stuart and Cathy Byrd Buechler. Mr. Byrd is remembered with much love and appreciation by his family and friends as a devoted and caring husband and father, an intelligent and committed community member, a faithful church member, a skilled carpenter and a hard-working advocate for working people.

He proudly served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, serving on seaplane patrols over the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean and attained the rank of chief petty officer. After he completed military service, he and his young wife moved to Mr. Byrd's hometown of Erwin, where he lived until his death. Mr. Byrd worked as a carpenter in Erwin Textile Mills for 10 years, after which he became the business agent for the Textile Workers Union of America (TWUA). As a strong advocate for textile workers, Mr. Byrd worked tirelessly to gain better health benefits and working conditions for the employees of Erwin Mills. Mr. Byrd retired in 1978 and continued his involvement in political and services agencies in Erwin. He served the community as town commissioner.

Mr. Byrd was an active member of Neil S. Stewart Masonic Lodge No. 556, and the order of the Eastern Star No. 230. For many years, he enjoyed participating in Senior Center events, including the delivery of Meals-on-Wheels to community members in need. An enthusiastic sports fan, he coached Little League for the Erwin Recreation Association.

In addition to his family and community service, his membership in First Baptist Church of Erwin was of great importance to him. His parents, Albert W. Byrd and Katie Barnes Byrd, were founding members of First Baptist Church, and his brother, the Rev. Jack W. Byrd, was ordained in the ministry. Mr. Byrd served the church family as superintendent of the Sunday school, a Sunday school teacher, a deacon and president of the Brotherhood.

He is survived by his wife, Cleo Miller Byrd; his brother and sister-in-law, the Rev. Jack and Juanita "Pete" Byrd of Windsor; his daughter, Carolyn Byrd Stuart of Chapel Hill; friend, Richard Miller of Durham; daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Scott Buechler of Chapel Hill; granddaughter, Mary Byrd Tinsley Buechler of Chapel Hill; granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Jessica and Jason Barile of Apex; and great-grandchildren, Maya and Dylan Barile.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, David Stuart; sons-in-law, Brad Stuart and Michael Tinsley; and sister and brother-in-law, Kathleen and James Sessoms.

Visitation will be held at Price Funeral Home, Erwin, tonight from 7 to 9. A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, South 12th Street, Erwin. Flowers or a memorial gift to First Baptist Church are welcome

Lucy Helen Williams Matthews Barnes

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
March 18, 2003

ANGIER -- Lucy Helen Williams Barnes, 73, of 184 Langdon Rd., died Monday. She was the widow of Billy Matthews. Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Bryan-Lee Funeral Chapel. Burial will follow in the Byrd Cemetery.

Surviving: daughter, Teresa Rutherford of Garner; sons, Michael Matthews and Jeffery Matthews, both of Raleigh; father, John H. Williams of Angier; sisters, Leola Dykes of Angier, Inez Krause of Winston-Salem, Geraldine Smith of Kinston, Patty Godwin of Benson and Linda Mangum of Benson; brother, Connie Ray Williams of Henderson; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Bertha Williams and son, Kenneth Matthews, and brother, C.L. Williams.

The family will be at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Angier from 7-9 p.m. today.

Mamie Ruth Denning Dennis

Dunn Daily Record
4/15/2005

Ruth Denning Dennis, 71, of 860 Clayhole Road, Coats, died Wednesday at her home. She was born March 22, 1934, in Harnett County to the late Ezra "Doc" and Bessie Barnes Denning. She was reared by her stepmother, the late Gladys Denning. Mrs. Dennis retired as secretary to the chief of staff for the XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg and was a member of St. Matthew PFWB Church. She was preceded in death by a sister, Patty Sue Denning; and a brother, Jerry Lee Denning.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Matthew PFWB Church in Erwin by the Revs. Jerome Edwards and Paul Dennis II. Burial will follow at Coats City Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, Hubert "Bert" P. Dennis; sons, David Glenn Dennis and wife Cindy of Coats, Douglas "Doug" Earl Dennis and wife Jackie of Dunn; a daughter, Patti D. Godwin and husband Sonny of Erwin; a sister, Judith D. Wood of Lillington; brothers, Fred T. "Tommy" Denning of Stanfield and E. Linwood Denning of Coats; a sister-in-law, Gail G. Denning of Dunn; and grandchildren, Nicholas Dennis, Jason Dennis, Jeremy Dennis, Blair Stevens, Andrew Stevens and Cheryl Stevens.

Visitation will be tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham in Coats.

Marie Barnes Clayton

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
August 8, 2002

COATS -- Mrs. Marie Barnes Clayton, 87, of 1280 Hwy. 55, died Wednesday. She was a native of Johnston County, born February 7, 1915, to the late Nassie L. and Flonnie Frances Godwin Barnes. She was a retired employee of Cornell-Doublier and the widow of Paul J. Clayton.

Funeral service will be 3 p.m. Friday at Coats Baptist Church. Rev. Jesse Mooney will officiate. Burial will follow in Lakeside Memorial Gardens.

Surviving: sons, Boyd C. Clayton of McGee's Crossroads, Barnes J. Clayton of Coats; sisters, Etta B. Cobb of Buies Creek, Clyda B. Wilmouth of Coats; brother, Wallace E. Barnes of Angier; grandchildren, Sharon McLamb, Mitchell Clayton, Angie Beasley, Robbie Clayton; great-grandchildren, Brandy Lee, Jill McLamb, Jared McLamb, Kyle Clayton, Haley Ennis, Casey Clayton.

Memorials may be made to Coats Baptist Church, PO Box 297, Coats, NC 27521 or to Community Hospice. The family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats from 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Martha Frances Upchurch Surles Tart

Dunn Daily Record
07/21/2004

Frances Upchurch Surles Tart of Dunn died Monday evening at her home. The Harnett County native was a daughter of the late Charlie Clark and Nina Barnes Upchurch. Mrs. Tart was a lifelong resident of Dunn and was former owner and operator of Glam-O-Rama Cleaners and Shirt Service.

She was a member of Divine Street United Methodist Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher and member of the church choir. She was also a member of Hood Memorial Christian Church, where she was the Intermediate Girls Sunday School Class teacher for 35 years, and the Christian Women Fellowship Class teacher for six years, a member of the church choir, a deaconess and Circle leader. Mrs. Tart served as first vice president of the Cornelius Harnett Chapter of the DAR, and was UDC treasurer for 12 years.

Graveside funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Greenwood Cemetery by the Rev. Jesse Fulcher.

Survivors include a son, Jimmy Surles and wife Sandra of Spivey's Corner; a sister, Alice Coates of Dunn; grandchildren, Paul B. Surles, Carol Jean Surles and Jonathan P. Surles; and great-grandchildren, Aaron C. Dew and Jacob A. Surles.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home.

Maxine Barnes Absher

Richmond Times-Dispatch (VA)
August 12, 2000

Maxine Absher, 77, of Richmond, died August 10, 2000. She was preceded in death by her husband, John E. Absher.

Survivors include three children, Eddie Absher, Susan Osborne and Jeff Absher; four sisters, one brother; five grandchildren, John, Jill, Joy, Ryan and Paige; and one great-granddaughter, Samantha.

Graveside services will be held 11 a.m. (today) at Westhampton Memorial Park.

Ronald Ray Barnes

The Smithfield Herald
7/15/2005

Ronald Ray Barnes, 63, of Carrollton, Ga., formerly of Johnston County, died July 1 after a period of failing health. Born Feb. 10, 1942, in Angier, Mr. Barnes was a son of the late William F. and Rachel Stephenson Barnes. He retired from Atlanta Gas & Light Co. after more than 20 years of service. Also, Mr. Barnes was a former firefighter and federal civil service technician.

An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening and puttering in his workshop. The funeral was at Stripling Chapel United Methodist Church in Carrollton, Ga. Burial followed in Carroll Memory Gardens.

Surviving are his wife of 35 years, Joann Barnes; a son, Russell Barnes of Carrollton, Ga.; two stepchildren, Linda Hartupree and Terry Smith, both of Carrollton, Ga.; three brothers, Franklin Barnes of Wake Forest, Lt. Col. Dr. Will Barnes of Clarksboro, N.J., and Don Barnes of Smithfield; three grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Sherwood Langdon

Rose & Graham Funeral Home Notice
04/19/2006

Mr. Sherwood Langdon, age 85, of 1881 Cane Mill Road died Wednesday at Western Wake Medical Center in Cary. Funeral Services will be 11:00AM Saturday at Coats United Methodist

Church. Officiating will be Rev. Tommy Smith and Elder J. M. Mewborn. Burial will follow in Coats City Cemetery.

Mr. Langdon was born January 27, 1921 in Harnett County to the late Grover Cleveland and Catherine Stephenson Langdon. He was also preceded in death by sisters, Rosa L. Rambeau, Iris L. Barnes, Eurice L. Martin, and Cleo Langdon; and brothers, J. Hector Langdon, Grover N. Langdon, Woodrow Langdon, Gerald Langdon, and Vurner Langdon.

Mr. Langdon was a farmer, accountant, land developer, and business owner. He established Tabulated Accounting Service in Dunn in 1955 and continued in business there for 51 years. Mr. Langdon was highly respected in the business community and was dearly loved by his family. He attended Coats United Methodist Church.

Survivors include Wife, Helen Barnes Langdon; Daughter & Son-in-Law, Ann & George Kaneklides of Coats; Son & Daughter-in-Law, John & Sandi Langdon of Charlotte; Grandchildren, Mary Elizabeth Kaneklides, Alexander Langdon Kaneklides, and Caroline Langdon; Sisters, Vallie L. Sauls of Garner, Edna L. Ogburn of Willow Spring, and Ruth L. McNeill of Sanford.

The family will receive friends at Rose & Graham Funeral Home, Coats, from 6:00PM to 8:00PM Friday.

Thelma Johnson Barnes

Dunn Daily Record
3/11/2005

Thelma Johnson Barnes, 90, died Wednesday at Smithfield Manor. She was the daughter of the late Joel A. Johnson and Ozelia Coates-Johnson. She was preceded in death by siblings, Leawon Johnson, Theron Johnson, Edith Johnson Olive, Joel A. Johnson Jr. and Wyatt B. Johnson.

Mrs. Barnes attended East Carolina Teacher's College, now East Carolina University, and Hardbarger's Business College in Raleigh. She worked for many years in bookkeeping and accounting for local firms and for 25 years was administrator of Colonial Rest Home. Mrs. Barnes was a member of Smithfield First Baptist Church. She was a member of the choir and teacher of her Sunday school class. She also served in the Women's Missionary Union, as a director of the Baptist Women for the Johnston Baptist Association and was a member of the program planning committee of the N.C. State Baptist Convention.

Her civic contributions included being instrumental in preserving and moving The Hasting's House, Smithfield's oldest dwelling, and was an officer and director in The Hasting's House Association. Mrs. Barnes was a past president of the Smithfield Junior Women's Club and Smithfield Woman's Club. She was past president of the Johnston County Heart Association and the Smithfield Business and Professional Woman's Club. She was a member of the Year Round Garden Club, the Smithfield Garden Club, the Aeolin Music Club and the Johnston County Arts

Council. In 1970, she received the Outstanding Clubwoman Award from District 13 of the N.C. Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Barnes was named one of the "Distinguished Citizens" by the Greater Smithfield-Selma Area Chamber of Commerce. She was the first woman to serve as chairman of the Salvation Army Advisory Board at Smithfield, where she was a board member for 22 years. She served on the old Smithfield School District Committee and was the first woman president of the Johnston County Mental Health Association. She was also a volunteer worker for Contact Teleministry of Johnston County.

A memorial service will be held 6 p.m. Saturday at Minshew Funeral Home in Four Oaks. Visitation will be at 5 p.m. A private interment will be held.

Survivors include her husband of more than 65 years, William A. Barnes Sr.; children, William Arthur Barnes Jr. of Weaverville and Bette Barnes Carpenter and husband William of Smithfield; grandchildren, William Christian Carpenter, Rebecca Barnes, Elizabeth Barnes, William A. Barnes III, John-Tyler Barnes and Hunter Barnes; step-grandchildren, Lorie Marie Shoulders and William Rodney Carpenter; and a sister, Juanita Johnson Honeycutt.