

### **Allen Carrington Johnson**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
February 25, 2002

Allen C. Johnson, 89, of Dunn, died Saturday. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Skinner Funeral Home chapel in Dunn. Burial will be in Lee-Johnson Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his wife, Ellameta S. Johnson of Dunn; a son, Allen W. Johnson of Benson; a daughter, Betsy Johnson of Dunn; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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

### **Allen Wayne Johnson**

Dunn Daily Record  
05/09/2005

The Rev. Allen Wayne Johnson, 61, of 7196 N.C. 50, Benson, died Sunday, May 8, 2005, at his home. Rev. Johnson was born Aug. 10, 1943, in Harnett County to Ellameta Smith Johnson of Dunn and the late Allen Carlton Johnson. He had retired after 31 years of service with UPS and continued his work in the ministry. Rev. Johnson was a member of Jonesboro Baptist Church and was known for his love of farming.

A celebration of life service will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Revs. Leon Tart, Fritz Young and Hubert Morgan. Burial will follow at the Lee-Johnson Family Cemetery.

Survivors, in addition to his mother, include his wife, Florine "Flo" Beasley Johnson; a daughter, Carol J. Horne and husband Ricky of Benson; a son, Timothy Wayne Johnson and wife Traci of Benson; a sister, Betsy Johnson of Dunn; and grandchildren, Kristin N. Horne, Ashley L. Horne and Rebecca K. Johnson, all of Benson.

The family will receive friends Tuesday from noon to 1:45 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

### **Bobby Glenn Langdon**

Dunn Daily Record  
05/29/2007

Bobby Glenn Langdon, 42, of Dunn died Sunday, May 27, 2007, at Wake Medical Center. The Wake County native was a son of the late Glenn Langdon and Barbara Stephenson Langdon. He

was a back hoe operator with Warren Oil Co. and was preceded in death by a brother, Richard M. "Ricky" Langdon.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home by the Rev. Tom Stephenson. Burial will be at Willow Spring Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, Jeremy Langdon and wife Katheryn of Four Oaks; daughters, Gwendolyn Caldwell of Maryland and Barbara Marie Langdon of Bear Creek; mother, Barbara Langdon and stepfather, Bobby Jackson of Dunn; sister, Carolyn Stephens of Dunn; a brother, Jeffrey Langdon and wife Susan of Benson; and two grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home and other times at the home.

### **Carvus Andrew Byrd, Sr.**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
April 27, 1998

Carvus Andrew Byrd, 81, died Sunday. Services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens Mausoleum. Rev. Billie E. Lawson officiating.

Surviving: wife, Mary S. Byrd; one son and daughter-in-law, Carvus Andrew Byrd Jr., and wife Patsy C. Byrd of Smithfield; sister, Nila Cates of Fuquay-Varina; three grandchildren, Andy Byrd III and wife Helyn Byrd, Cindy Creech and husband Greg Creech and Ami Cox and husband, Wade Cox; five great-grandchildren.

Although the family appreciate flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Wilson's Mills Baptist Church, Hwy 70-A, Wilson's Mills, NC 934-4181 or Johnston Co. Home Health and Hospice, Smithfield. Family will receive friends 7-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

### **D. Heber Johnson, Sr.**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
January 20, 1998

BENSON -- D. Heber Johnson Sr., 86, of 7440 N.C. 50 South died Monday in his home. He was a farmer and a produce broker. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel by the Revs. Robert Capps and Robert Cooke. Entombment will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his wife, Hattie S. Johnson; two daughters, Frances J. Johnson of Greensboro and Anne J. Lee of Benson; a son, Daniel S. Johnson of Winston-Salem; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall Building Fund, 7538 N.C. 50 South, Benson, N.C. 27504, or to Johnston Memorial Home Care and Hospice, P.O. Box 1376, Smithfield, N.C. 27577.

### **Ercell Haswell Heath**

Herald-Sun, The (Durham, NC)  
August 11, 1995

Mrs. Ercell Haswell Heath, 82, of 1509 Glendale Ave., died Thursday morning in Durham Regional Hospital. A native of Wake County, she has lived in Durham most of her life. Mrs. Heath was employed with the Duke Auxiliary until her retirement. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church and the Esther Bible Class.

Surviving are her husband, P. Michael Heath of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Hill Dinger of Roanoke VA; three stepsons, Rev. Larry Heath of Concord, Rev. Jack Heath of Greensboro and Gary Heath of Marshall TX; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 PM Saturday in the Howerton & Bryan Chapel by Dr. Walter Isley. Burial will be in Maplewood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grace Baptist Church.

The family will receive visitors 7-9 PM today at Howerton & Bryan Funeral Home.

### **Florence Helen Denning Sorrell**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
June 26, 1999

Mrs. Florence Denning "Tince" Sorrell, 87, of 403 West Church St., died Friday at her home after an extended illness. A graveside service will be 2 p.m. Sunday at the Denning Family Cemetery on Benson-Hardee Road. Officiating will be Rev. Bobby Smith, Rev. Bill Denning, and Mrs. Terry Waddell.

Mrs. Sorrell was born June 17, 1912, in Harnett County to the late William (Billy) Robert Sr. and Mary Smith Denning. Mrs. Sorrell was married to the late Norwood L. Sorrell.

Mrs. Sorrell was a retired Home Economics Teacher. She attended Greensboro College and graduated from East Carolina Teachers college. She taught in the Harnett and Johnston County School systems for 30 years; teaching at Boone Trail, Four Oaks High School, Benson High School, and retired from South Johnston High School. During her years of teaching, she was active in many phases of education. She was currently a member of Alpha Beta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Teachers Society, having served as President. She was also an active member of

the American Home Economics Assoc., American Vocational Assoc., and State & National Future Homemakers of America. Mrs. Sorrell served as regional adviser of FHA and served in other capacities as well.

Mrs. Sorrell was a life-long member of the Benson United Methodist Church. During this time she was a choir member, a Sunday school teacher, youth leader, and president of the United Methodist Women. She was also active in the Al Parker Sunday school class until her health declined.

Surviving include daughters and sons-in-law, Mary Ann Sorrell Lee and J. Glenn Lee of Benson and Helen Sorrell Bostic & Dr. Berry Bostic of Fayetteville; four grandchildren, Cliff Bostic, Mary Helen Lee, Leighton Bostic, and Charles Daniel "Chuck" Lee; sister-in-law, Elizabeth "Lib" Denning of Benson; also several nieces and nephews.

Family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson from 7-9 p.m. Saturday. Family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Benson United Methodist Church, Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 72; Benson, NC 27504; Hospice, P.O. Box 1524, Smithfield, NC 27577; or one's favorite charity.

### **Floy Roseline Creech Smith**

Daily Press (Newport News, VA)  
March 28, 2004

HAMPTON - Mrs. Floy Creech Smith, 98, of Newport News, died early Thursday morning, March 25, 2004, at Northampton Convalescent Center. She had resided on the Peninsula for 70 years as a homemaker and had been a devoted member of Orcutt Baptist Church.

Born in 1906 to James A. and Frances Temple Creech in Four Oaks, N.C., Mrs. Smith graduated in the class of 1925 at Four Oaks High School. She was the last surviving of nine children. She was preceded in death by her husband, Horace Smith; a grandson, Timmy Curtis; two beloved sons-in-law, Bill Curtis and Herold Fritschle and her parents and siblings.

Left to cherish her memory are three daughters, Jacqueline Watkins and husband, Norvell, Frankie Fritschle of Hampton and Jeanette Curtis of Newport News. Also three sons, Gerald Smith and wife, Virginia, of West Virginia, Donald Smith and wife, Ellen, of Newport News and W. Terry Smith and wife, Debbie, of Richmond.

She is also greatly missed by her grandchildren, Terrie Lee Pulley, Eddie Watkins, Vicki Jo Davidson, Pam Morris, Jan Hall, Robin Smith, Bridget Moschler, Kimberly Terry, Wendi Holmes, Clay and Lee Smith and Rosie Harman. She is survived as well by numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Floy loved life and lived it to the fullest. As a young schoolgirl, she traveled to New York City on buying trips with her merchant father. Her experiences span decades of great change in the

world around her. People have been the great passion of her life and she has had many many friends. Always having a twinkle in her eye, and some interesting story to tell of a past experience, she has been a treasure to all who have known her. She has made the best of every situation she faced and found joy in even the simplest things.

A visitation will be conducted from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday, March 28, at Peninsula Funeral Home. A celebration of her life will be held at Riverside Baptist Church, 7409 River Road, Newport News, on Monday at 1 p.m., conducted by the Revs. Ryan and Tommy Davidson. Burial will be in Peninsula Memorial Park.

The family wishes to express its deep appreciation to the staff of Northampton Convalescent Center for its loving care of Floy over these last three years.

### **George David Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
December 7, 1997

BENSON -- George David Smith, 87, of Route 1, died Saturday in Avante Health Care Center in Wilson. He was a retired farmer.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. David Payne. Burial will be in Chalybeate Springs Baptist Church cemetery in Fuquay-Varina.

Mr. Smith is survived by two sons, John D. Smith and Howard Smith, both of Raleigh; two daughters, Marie Pope of Gretna, Va., and Annie L. "Polly" Parrish of Benson; two sisters, Mary Byrd of Smithfield and Siddie Doane of Duncan; 13 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

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

### **Hattie Gray Smith Johnson**

Greensboro News & Record (NC)  
February 4, 2004

BENSON - Mrs. Hattie Smith Johnson, 89, of 7440 N.C. Highway 50 S., died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at her residence. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson. Officiating will be the Rev. Robert Capps. Entombment will follow in Roselawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Johnson was born on April 13, 1914, in Johnston County to the late James Henry and Hepsie Hudson Smith. She was preceded in death by her husband, D. Herber Johnson Sr., and a

son, D. Herber Johnson Jr. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Trinity Baptist Church and was a homemaker.

Survivors include her daughters, Frances Johnson King of Greensboro and Anne Johnson Lee of Benson; son and daughter-in-law Daniel S. and Brenda Johnson of Winston-Salem; daughter-in-law Sylvia G. Johnson of Benson; special friend Ruth Massengill of Four Oaks; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson from 7 to 9 p.m. today. Flowers are welcome, however memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Church, 7538 N.C. Highway 50 S., Benson, NC 27504.

### **Hazel Thelma Gregory Smith**

Dunn Daily Record  
11/29/2004

Hazel G. Smith, 78, of Dunn died Saturday morning at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. She was the daughter of the late Bob and Trixie Gregory. She was preceded in death by her husband, Nowell Smith Jr.

Mrs. Smith worked as a customer service representative for Home Savings and Loan, which later became Raleigh Federal, for 23 years before retiring in 1990. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Glenda B. Skinner Sunday school class. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church by Dr. Len Keever and Dr. Rick McDuffie. Burial will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon S. Bostic and husband Jack of Raleigh; sons, Butch Smith and wife Beth of Dunn, J. Nowell Smith III and wife Ava of Dunn; brothers, Wayne Gregory of Coats and Charles Gregory of Rapid City, S.D.; sisters, Mavis Rambeaut of Willow Spring, Shirley Rambeaut of Fuquay-Varina and Betty Jean Smith of Angier; and grandchildren, Jenny and Will Bostic, Adelaide, Megan and Nicole Smith.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 309 W. Broad St., Dunn, N.C. 28334.

### **Hettie Smith Royal**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
October 11, 1997

Mrs. Hettie Smith Royal, 70, of Unity Church Road, Four Oaks, died Friday a.m. at Wake Medical Center. Ms. Royal was born in Johnston County on June 10, 1927 to the late Handy and

Martha Smith. She was the widow of the late Alton Royal. Funeral services have been planned for 2 p.m. Sunday at Stones Creek Advent Christian Church, with burial in the church cemetery.

Survivors include: daughter and son-in-law, Sue and Glenn Flowers of Four Oaks; grandson, Chad Flowers of Four Oaks; sisters, Lu Esta Denning of Smithfield, Merlene Eldridge of Jacksonville, Hester Wood of Benson; fiancé, Newit Morgan of Benson.

The family will receive relatives and friends from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at Minshew Funeral Home in Four Oaks and at other times at the home of Sue and Glenn Flowers, Four Oaks.

### **Inez Young Smith**

Dunn Daily Record  
11/06/2002

Inez Young Smith, 85, of Angier, formerly of Turner Fish Road, Willow Spring, died Monday. She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Telfair L. Smith; sons, Raeford, Bobby and Leonard Smith; a brother, Lacy Young; and her parents, Hosea and Flonnie Young. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at Fellowship Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Faye Smith Jones (Allen) of New Hill, Mae Smith Tart and Sue Smith Higgins (Danny), all of Angier; a son, Thomas J. Smith Sr. (Lassie) of Raleigh; 17 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sisters, Mozelle Robinson and Edith Morrow, both of Durham, Joyce Braswell of Angier and Janice Nash of Four Oaks; brothers, Elwood Young of Raleigh and Norwood Young of Apex; sister-in-law, Judith Young of Angier; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home in Angier and other times at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Smith Sr., 3909 Durham Drive, Raleigh.

Flowers are accepted or memorials may be made to the Fellowship Baptist Church Building Fund, 1701 Bud Liscomb Road, Willow Spring, N.C. 27592; or to Hospice of Harnett County, P.O. Box 373, Erwin, N.C. 28339.

### **Judd P. Dorman**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
May 28, 1998

Judd P. Dorman, 76, a retired locksmith who worked under Civil Service, a WW II Veteran, a recipient of a Purple Heart, died Thursday. Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Overby-Johnson Funeral Home chapel, Rev. Leon Hawley and Rev. Grover Blackburn Jr. officiating. Burial will be in the Angier Primitive Cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Clara Smith Dorman; daughter, Sondra D. Matthews and husband, Glenn of Angier; son, Tim P. Dorman of Willow Spring; sisters, Lila Bryant of Dunn, Lovinia Littleton of Coats; brothers, Rev. Norwood Dorman of Willow Spring, Tom Dorman of Goldsboro, Ted Dorman of Angier; grandchildren, Tonya M. Godwin, G. Nichols Mathews and Amanda Lee Dorman; two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul O. and Bertha M. Dorman; brothers, Massey Dorman, Lawton Dorman, Jarvis Dorman and Bennie Stephenson. Also preceded was a sister, Lillian D. Pearce.

Visitation 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

### **Leonard Odell Daniels, Sr.**

Dunn Daily Record  
10/07/2005

Leonard Odell "Doc" Daniels Sr., 80, of Dunn died Thursday, Oct. 6, 2005, at Liberty Commons. The Harnett County native was a son of the late James W. and Elsie Hair Daniels. He was a retired welder with Machine and Welding Supply Co. of Dunn. He was a founding member and former chief of the Dunn Rescue Squad, a member of Palmyra Lodge No. 147 AF&AM Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Consistory, Dunn Shrine Club and Sudan Shriners of New Bern.

Mr. Daniels was preceded in death by a son, Marvin B. Daniels; and a sister, Anna Merle Faircloth. A graveside service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at Greenwood Cemetery by the Rev. King White.

Survivors include his wife, Christine Smith Daniels; sons, Leonard O. Daniels Jr. and wife Diane of Clayton, Robert L. Daniels and wife Ann of Benson; daughter, Kay Jackson and husband Linwood of Dunn; daughter-in-law, Ramona Tew Daniels of Dunn; brothers, James Daniels of Maryland and Dexter Daniels of California; sisters, Margaret Baker of Erwin and Irene Page of Fayetteville; four grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Community Homecare and Hospice, 400 E. "H" St., Erwin, NC 28339; or to the Dunn Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 203, Dunn, NC 28335. Condolences may be sent to [www.SkinnerandSmith.com](http://www.SkinnerandSmith.com).



## **Lonnie Smith Peacock**

Dunn Daily Record

03/14/2008



BENSON - Mr. Lonnie Smith Peacock, 59, of 1452 Mamie Road, died Thursday, March 13, 2008, at his home. Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Chapel in Benson. The Revs. Jesse Staton, Scott Johnson and Elder Barbara M. Pegues will officiate. Burial will follow at Roselawn Cemetery with Masonic rites.

Mr. Peacock was born on Jan. 28, 1949, to the late Carl David and Lucile Elizabeth Smith Peacock. He was a farmer of various crops and a North Carolina registered land surveyor for many years. Mr. Peacock owned and operated Peacock's Land Surveying for 32 years. He was a Master Mason, Shriner and a Boy Scout Master. Mr. Peacock was a retired member of the Meadow Fire Department and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Sylvia M. Peacock; daughter and son-in-law, Crystal and Scott Noles of Benson; sons and daughter-in-law, James Lonnie and Rhonda D. Peacock of Benson, Jeremy David Peacock of Benson, and Charles Bryan Peacock of Benson; brother and sister-in-law, Carl David Jr. and Judy Peacock of Chesapeake, Va.; special uncle, James Garland Smith of Benson; four grandchildren, Gaston Christopher Noles, James Ronald Peacock, Jerred Lonnie Peacock and Phoebe Elizabeth Noles; three nieces and a nephew; sisters-in-law and spouse, Freddie Beasley of Benson, Arnold Page of Benson and Cathy and Keith Johnson of Benson.

The family will receive friends at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.RoseGrahamFuneralService.com](http://www.RoseGrahamFuneralService.com).

## **Lu Esta Smith Massengill Denning**

News and Observer

June 14, 2004

LU ESTA DENNING, 87, passed away on Friday, June 11, 2004. She is survived by her daughter, Joy LaFerne Green and her husband, Bobby and his son, Robert of Raleigh; son, Wayne Massengill of Four Oaks; sister, Merlene Eldridge of Jacksonville; grandson, Chance Massengill and wife, Joann; and great-grandson, Cameron, all of Smithfield; grandson, Chad Massengill and wife, Wendy, of Four Oaks; and granddaughter, Lisa Wooten Shapiro of Wake Forest.

Visitation is from 7 to 9 PM on Sunday at Minshew Funeral Home, Hwy 301, Four Oaks. The funeral service will be held at 2 PM on Monday at Minshew Funeral Home with the burial at Stone's Creek Advent Christian Church Cemetery in Four Oaks.

The family wishes to thank everyone for their many kindnesses and prayers, especially her niece, Hazel Ryals.

Dunn Daily Record  
Tuesday, June 15, 2004

Lu Esta Massengill Denning, 87, of Laurels of Forest Glenn, Garner, died June 11. She was the owner of a restaurant. She was born Oct. 31, 1916, in Johnston County to the late Handy and Martha Hudson Smith. She was preceded in death by her husband, Needam "Gulf" Massengill. Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at Minshew Funeral Home Chapel by the Revs. Billy Keen and James Wooten. Burial was in Stoney's Creek Advent Christian Church Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, Wayne Massengill of Four Oaks; a daughter, Joy LaFeren Green and husband Bobby of Raleigh; a sister, Merlene Eldridge of Jacksonville; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

### **Lucile Smith Peacock**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
08/24/2007



Mrs. Lucile Smith Peacock, 83, of 7148 NC Hwy 50 South died Wednesday at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. Funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Rose & Graham Funeral chapel. Officiating will be Rev. Robert Capps. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery with Eastern Star Rites.

Mrs. Peacock was born June 25, 1924 in Johnston County to the late James Lonnie and Hettie Lee Smith. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl D. Peacock; a sister, Alameta Johnson.

Mrs. Peacock taught schools in the Johnson County, Harnett County and Sampson County systems prior to her retirement. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church since 1938 where she served as a Sunday School teacher, WMU director, church librarian, and held many other positions. Mrs. Peacock was a member of the Lou Parrish Chapter of the Order of the Eastern

Star and served as the Worthy Matron three times. She also served as a Grand Representative of

the state of Kentucky in North Carolina. Mrs. Peacock was also a member of the Board of Directors for the Johnston County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

Survivors include: sons, Carl D. Peacock, Jr. and wife, Judy of Chesapeake, VA, Lonnie S. Peacock and wife, Sylvia, of Benson; brother, Garland Smith of Benson; grandchildren and spouses, Crystal P. and Scott Noles, Sonya P. and Michael Byron, James Lonnie and Rhonda D. Peacock, Jennifer P. and Elmer Tolle III, Jeremy D. Peacock, and Charles B. Peacock; seven great-grandchildren; special caretaker, Carrie Blue of Dunn; niece, Betsy Johnson of Dunn.

Family will receive friends at Rose & Graham Funeral Home, Benson, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Friday. Flowers are welcomed; however, memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Church Fellowship Fund, c/o Jean Lee, 8515 Meadowbrook Road, Benson, NC 27504 or to the charity of one's choice. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com](http://www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com).

### **Mamie Chelton Pleasant Smith**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
January 6, 2002

ANGIER -- Mamie Chelton Pleasant Smith, 95, died Friday, Jan. 4, 2002. She was a native of Johnston County, born to the late John and Minnie Pleasant. She was preceded in death by her husband Mallie C. Smith.

### **Marvin Bailey Daniels**

Dunn Daily Record  
07/23/2002

Marvin B. Daniels, 48, of Dunn died Monday morning at UNC Hospitals after an extended illness. Mr. Daniels contracted Hepatitis B while a member of the Dunn Rescue Squad. Benefits and fund-raisers had been held for him over the years. He was a at the top of the waiting list for a liver when he died.

He was a 1973 graduate of Dunn High School and was a member of Mount Carmel PFWB Church where he served as the vice president of the Brotherhood, Sunday school superintendent and Sunday school teacher. He served on the Dunn Police Department and Dunn Rescue Squad for several years. He also worked for both Cromartie and Skinner funeral homes for a number of years. Mr. Daniels worked for the Department of Corrections for 15 years.

He was a member of the State Employees Association where he served as treasurer for District 22. He received the President Inspiration Award for the State Employee Association. He was a member of the Palmyra Masonic Lodge, Sudan Temple in New Bern, the Dunn Shrine Club and the Scottish Rite Bodies of Wilmington.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Mount Carmel PFWB Church by the Rev. Johnny Peterson. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Ramona T. Daniels; his parents, Leonard O. "Doc" Daniels and Christine S. Daniels of Dunn; two brothers, Leonard O. Daniels Jr. and wife Diane of Clayton, Robert L. Daniels and wife Ann of Benson; a sister, Kay Jackson and husband Linwood of Dunn.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home and other times at the home of Kay and Linwood Jackson, 642 Roy C. Jackson Road, Dunn. Memorials may be made to Mount Carmel PFWB Church, P.O. Box 1381, Dunn, N.C. 28335.

### **Mary Elvia Jones Smith**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
February 12, 2007



Mrs. Mary Elvia Jones Smith, formerly of the Oakdale Community in West Raleigh, died Saturday, February 10, 2007 at Cary Health and Rehabilitation Center in Cary, NC at age 106. Visitation will be at Ephesus Baptist Church, 6767 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC on Wednesday, February 14th at 10:00 a.m. followed by the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Mrs. Smith's body will lie in state at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home in Cary from 8:00-5:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

She was born in Pleasant Grove Township, Johnston County, NC, on May 17, 1900 the daughter and second child of Charlie Johnson and Mary Eliza Honeycutt Jones. She attended public schools in Johnston and Wake counties before moving to Smithfield with her parents in 1914. Mrs. Smith was baptized into the First Baptist Church in Smithfield in 1917. In 1920, she and her parents moved to Raleigh and she took a sales position with W.T. Grant Co. She remained with Grant until 1924 when she became a telephone operator with Southern Bell.

In 1924, she transferred her church membership to Johnson Memorial Church in Raleigh and then later in 1932 to Ephesus Baptist Church. She was an active member and church deacon at Ephesus for a number of years.

On October 31, 1925, she married James Smith from Bladen County. James had moved to Raleigh following his discharge from the Army in World War I. Together they built a home in the newly developing Oakdale Community just west of Raleigh. After James' death in 1949, she

maintained the household for nearly 50 years. During her widowhood, she developed a practice of attending to new born infants. In her retirement, she was joined in the household by her sister Ruby and her husband Alton "Goat" Pearce. After Ruby's death in 1998, she broke up housekeeping and moved to Cary Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Surviving are her three children, William Carter and his wife Sandra of Greenville, NC, Betty Lou and her husband Louis Thigpen of Austin, TX, and James Charles and his wife Brenda of Raleigh, NC; five grandchildren, Byron Smith of Delray Beach, FL, Mark Smith of Orlando, FL, Teresa Coll of Austin, TX, Suzanna McClanahan of Austin, TX, and Brent Smith of Creedmoor, NC; seven great-grandchildren, Stephanie Urban of Lebanon, PA, Van Coll, Lance Coll, Kyle McClanahan, and Emily McClanahan all of Austin, TX, Sydnie Smith and Jenna Smith both of Creedmoor, NC.

Memorials may be made to the Lottie Moon Fund, Ephesus Baptist Church. Arrangements by Brown-Wynne Funeral Home, 200 SE Maynard Road, Cary, NC.

### **Mary Margaret Buie Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
December 9, 2000

DUNN -- Ms. Mary Margaret Buie Smith, 90, of Integrated Health Services Nursing Home, formerly of Erwin, died Thursday. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in Erwin Presbyterian Church by the Revs. Roy King, Billy Nowell and James Randall. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Ms. Smith is survived by five sons, Edward Smith of Wilmington, Harold Smith of Fayetteville, Tommy Smith of Florida, Jimmy Smith of Emerald Isle and James "Tinkie" Smith of Raleigh; six daughters, Doris Strickland of Linden, Virginia Warren and Jennifer Godwin, both of Erwin, Vickie Busch of Oklahoma and Margaret Byrd and Debbie Carroll, both of Virginia; a sister, Lillie Ivey of Linden; 24 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Price Funeral Home in Erwin.

### **Nannie Pauline Miller Coats**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
February 1, 1997

Mrs. Pauline Miller Coats, 91, of Lillington died Friday in her home. The funeral will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. David Luethy. Burial will be in the Pleasant Union Christian Church cemetery.

Mrs. Coats is survived by her husband, Prentiss Coats of the home; two sons, Donald Coats of Lillington and Douglas Coats of Chesapeake, Va.; two sisters, Sallie Tripp of Dunn and Beatrice Dean of Erwin; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Pleasant Union Christian Church, Route 1, Box 166-A, Lillington, N.C. 27546.

### **Pauline Wheeler Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

January 31, 1997

MABLETON, Ga. -- Mrs. Pauline Wheeler Smith, 86, of Mableton, formerly of Johnston County, died Wednesday in Promina Cobb Hospital. She was employed by Sears as an administrator. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday in Hodges Chapel Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church by the Revs. Robert Hutson and Curtiss Tatum. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Smith is survived by a daughter, Peggy Fling of Mableton; two brothers, Robert L. Wheeler and A.J. Wheeler Jr., both of Benson, N.C.; two sisters, Reba Willenbucher of Atlanta and Dorothy Stubbs of Rocky Mount, N.C.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and at other times at the home of Robert L. Wheeler, 2801 N.C. 50 North, Benson.

### **Ruth Ellameta Smith Johnson**

Dunn Daily Record

06/21/2006

Ellameta Johnson, 92, of Dunn died Tuesday morning, June 20, 2006, at her home. She was the daughter of the late Lonnie and Hettie L. Smith. She was preceded in death by her husband, Allen Johnson; and a son, Wayne Johnson. A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Thursday at Lee-Johnson Cemetery by the Revs. Leon Tart and Joe Norris.

Survivors include a daughter, Betsy Johnson of Dunn; a brother, Garland Smith of Benson; a sister, Lucile Peacock of Benson; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Thursday following the graveside service at Calvary Baptist Church. The family asks that memorials be made to Calvary Baptist Church, 283 N.C. 55, Dunn, NC 28334; or to Jonesboro Baptist Church, 2020 Jonesboro Road, Dunn, NC 28334. A service of Skinner & Smith Funeral Home.

### **Sallie Cleo Miller Tripp**

Greensboro News & Record (NC)  
May 10, 2002

DUNN - Mrs. Sallie Miller Tripp, 90, of Fairground Road, died Thursday, May 9, 2002, at Betsy Johnson Hospital. A funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Lees Grove Church with the Rev. Randy Beasley and Rev. Hubert Morgan officiating. Burial will follow in Hodges Chapel Church Cemetery. Mrs. Tripp was born in Harnett County on August 23, 1911, to the late Benjamin and Lawrence Smith Miller and the widow of the late Furnie Tripp, Sr.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Henry Franklin and Catherine Tripp of Pleasant Garden; a daughter and son-in-law, Jackie and Nelson Soto of Dunn; a daughter, Kay Tart of Dunn; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Cromartie Miller & Lee Funeral Home and at other times at the residence of Kay Tart, 5190 Fairground Road, Dunn.

### **Telfair Lloyd Smith**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
January 8, 1999

ANGIER - Telfair L. "Tarpin" Smith, 86, of Willow Spring, died Jan. 6, 1999 at a Raleigh Hospital. Funeral service 11 a.m. Saturday, Fellowship Baptist Church, Willow Spring Rev. J. Waggoner and Rev. Jim Aycock officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Inez Young Smith; daughters, Faye Jones and husband, Allen of New Hill, Mary Tart and husband, Morris of Fuquay-Varina, Sue Higgins and husband, Danny of Angier; sons, Thomas J. Smith Sr. of Raleigh, Leonard T. Smith of Garner; sister, Lula Moore of Kittrell; brother, Garland Smith of Florida; 17 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Bobby Lee and Raeford.

Family will receive friends 7-9 p.m. Friday, Overby-Johnson Funeral Home, Angier.

### **Thelma Beasley Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
August 3, 1995

BENSON -- Thelma Beasley Smith, 74, of Route 1 died Wednesday in her home. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday in Hodges Chapel Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church by the Revs. Jimmy Tripp, Andy Johnson and Leon Hawley. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, C. Thurman Smith of Benson; two sons, Danny E. Smith and Charlie E. Smith, both of the home; two daughters, Janice S. Slaughter of Four Oaks and Kathie S. Capps of Smithfield; three brothers, Marvin Beasley of Angier, Theron Beasley of Staley and J.C. "Buck" Beasley of Elizabethtown; two sisters, Kathereen Jackson of Coats and Anlene Upchurch of Buies Creek; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home of Dunn and other times at the home.

### **Thomas Lee Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
May 27, 1998

BENSON -- Thomas "Tom" Lee Smith, 80, of 7273 N.C. 50 South died Monday in Johnston Memorial Hospital in Smithfield. Mr. Smith was a Navy veteran of World War II and was a member of American Legion Banner Post 109. Mr. Smith was a volunteer fireman for the Meadow Fire Department, and he was a farmer.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Robert Capps. Burial will be in the Smith family cemetery.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Mary T. Smith; a daughter, Hettie S. Smith of Florence S.C.; four sons, Oscar Smith of Benson, Thomas R. Smith of Slidell, La., Clyde M. Smith of Saudi Arabia and Paul T. Smith of Halifax, Va.; a brother, Garland Smith of Benson; two sisters, Lucille Peacock of Benson and Elmeta Johnson of Dunn; and seven grandchildren.

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

### **Vada Emily Cobb Owen Smith**

Dunn Daily Record  
12/29/2003

Vada Owen Smith, 90, of 610 Junny Road, Angier, died Saturday at Brighton Manor. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home Chapel in Angier. Burial will be in Angier Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery in Angier.

Survivors include her husband, James C. Smith; daughters, Janice O. Shattuck of Fuquay-Varina and Bonnie O. Parsons of Angier; a sister, Mildred Ragsdale of Fuquay-Varina; a brother, Tyson Cobb of Angier; six grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.



The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home in Angier and other times at the home of Bonnie Parsons, 590 Junny Road, Angier.

### **Velma Green Mason Smith**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
December 23, 2004

SANFORD -- Mrs. Velma Greene Smith, 80, of 700 Westover Drive, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2004, in Keller's Oak Haven Rest Home. Services: Funeral, 2 p.m. Friday in Lee's Chapel. Burial in Moncure United Methodist Church cemetery in Moncure.

Visitation: 6 to 8 tonight at Miller-Boles Funeral Home in Sanford and at other times at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mack West, 7209 Overhills Road, Spring Lake.

Survived by: Sisters, Vallie West and Edna Johnson.

### **Viola McLamb Holmes**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
August 4, 2000

DUNN -- Mrs. Viola McLamb Holmes of 4007 N.C. 242 died Thursday in her home. She was 102. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday in Beulah Baptist Church.

Mrs. Holmes is survived by a son, Charles Holmes of the home; five daughters, Malvirnel McLamb of Benson, Rowena Barefoot, Agnes Young and Sara Davis, all of Dunn, and Eloise Fiore of Chesapeake, Va.; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home in Dunn.

### **Walter Gordon**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
December 7, 2005

SELMA -- Walter Gordon, 76, died Tuesday. Funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Thursday in the chapel of Parrish Funeral Home in Selma with burial following in Selma Memorial Gardens.

Surviving are: his wife, Emma Dunn Gordon; a son, Walter Gordon, Jr. and wife, Linda Dale Gordon of Selma; granddaughters, Jennifer Gordon Long and husband, David of Selma, Mary Beth Simmons and husband, Daniel of Middlesex; sisters, Melvie Poliakoff of Smithfield,

Elizabeth Sellers of Winter Park, FL, Josephine Thornton of Newport News, VA, and Juanita Sharpe of Harbor Springs, Michigan; one brother, Jimmy Nichols of Wilmington.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Wednesday night from 7 to 9 p.m.

### **Wayland B. Massengill**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
October 1, 1997

LAUREL HILL -- Wayland B. Massengill, 83, of 17446 St. John Church Road died Tuesday in Century Care of Laurinburg. Mr. Massengill was a repairman for 22 years for Electrical Equipment Co., and a member of Laurel Hill Baptist Church.

A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday in Hillside Memorial Park by the Rev. Don Malpass. Arrangements are being handled by McDougald Funeral Home and Crematorium of Laurinburg.

Mr. Massengill is survived by his wife, Katherine S. Massengill of the home; two daughters, Lucille M. Hill of Duluth, Ga., and Beverly M. McLaughlin of Laurel Hill; two sons, Donald G. Massengill of Clemmons and Wayland B. Massengill Jr. of Lincolnton; a brother, Walter R. Massengill of Angier; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Oxford Orphanage, 600 College St., Oxford, N.C. 27565, or to Laurel Hill Baptist Church, P.O. Box 367, Laurel Hill, N.C. 28351.

### **William Lawrence Hargis, Sr.**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
March 27, 2001

WILLOW SPRINGS - William Lawrence Hargis Sr., 85, of 7920 Barbour Store Road, passed away Sunday. Funeral 11 a.m. Wednesday March 28, at New Hope Presbyterian Church. Burial, Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, Fuquay-Varina. Mr. Hargis was an active member of New Hope Presbyterian Church. He was a man of God and loved his family and friends.

Surviving: his loving wife of 59 years, Dolly Dupree Hargis; sons Paul of the home, W.L. and wife Pat of Fuquay-Varina, Donnie and wife Debbie of Angier and daughter, Pansy H. Smith and husband Johnny of Garner; seven grandchildren, Alan and Patti Hargis, April H. and Lewis Byrd, Kenny and Katrina Smith, Randy and Allison Smith, Jami and Thad McLean, Sarah Honeycutt, Annette and John Stover; seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Hargis was preceded in death by his brother, Claude Hargis and granddaughter, Angela M. McLean.

The family will receive friends 7-9 p.m. today at Sugg Funeral Home Fuquay-Varina. The family requests memorial contributions be made to the New Hope Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 98, Willow Springs, NC 27592. Arrangements by Sugg Funeral Home.