

Esther Larson Turnage

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 26, 1995

Mrs. Esther Larson Turnage, 92, of Wade died Saturday in Harnett Manor Nursing Home near Lillington. She taught Bible class and sang in the choir in Wade Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in Wade Baptist Church by the Rev. Raymond Myrick. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Dunn.

Mrs. Turnage is survived by several nieces.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn.

Hobert Shelton Adams

News & Observer, The (NC)
11/19/2007

Mr. Hobert Shelton Adams, 87, of Benson died Sunday at Liberty Commons Nursing & Rehabilitation of Johnston County. A graveside Service will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Devotional Gardens, Dunn. Officiating will be the Rev. Edward Adams.

Mr. Adams was born April 30, 1920 in Johnston County to the late Lawrence and Mattie Hudson Adams. He was preceded in death by his wife, Flora Turnage Adams. Mr. Adams was a retired farmer and truck driver. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of WWII, and was a member of the Banner Post 109 American Legion.

Surviving children, Gwen Starling of Clinton, Shelton R. Adams of Benson, Suzette Jerilyn Stroud of Raleigh, Lynette "Lynn" Marvelyn Stephenson of Garner, Sharlette Dorcelyn Tucker of Benson, and Trevelyn Adams of Benson; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends 7:00-9:00 p.m. Monday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and other times at the home of Shelton and Golda Adams, 286 Drag Strip Rd., Benson, NC. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Hugh Clifton Talton

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
August 23, 2003

SMITHFIELD -- Hugh Clifton Talton, age 83, of 804 Crescent Drive died Friday. He was a native of Johnston County, a son of the late Ralph and Laura Turnage Talton. He was involved

with operations for the Town of Smithfield for 43 years. His terms of service include Mayor, Fire Chief, Town Councilman and Town Manager. Besides that he operated a grocery store on Third Street in Downtown Smithfield for 30 years. Following his retirement as Town Manager he worked as Director of Operations for the Reedy Club golf course for 15 years. He was a Past President of the Kiwanis Club of Smithfield and was an active member of Centenary United Methodist Church where he held numerous offices including Trustee.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Centenary United Methodist Church conducted by Rev. Robert Flynn and Dr. Bruce Taylor. Interment will follow in Knollwood Memorial Park.

Surviving, wife, Catherine Stewart Talton; a son, Hugh C. Talton, Jr. of Beaufort.

Memorials may be made to The Emergency Relief Fund of Centenary United Methodist Church, 140 East Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577 or The Building Fund of Ann Street, United Methodist Church 417 Ann Street Beaufort, NC 28516. The family will receive friends at Underwood Funeral Home Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m.

Kenneth Ray Turnage, Sr.

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
August 9, 1999

Mr. Kenneth Ray Turnage, Sr., age 53, of Boyette Rd. died Saturday at the Kitty Askins Center in Goldsboro. Funeral Services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson. Officiating will be the Rev. Billy Keene. Interment will follow in Roselawn Cemetery, Benson.

Mr. Turnage was born July 23, 1946 in Johnston County to Viola Blackman Turnage of Four Oaks and the late Floyd C. Turnage. Mr. Turnage was a US Army Veteran of Vietnam. Mr. Turnage was a member of Unity Advent Christian Church.

Surviving in addition to his mother are his son, Kenneth Ray Turnage, Jr. of Hampton, VA; four sisters, Glenda T. Jackson of Siler City, Patricia T. Stanley and Carolyn T. Allen, both of Four Oaks, and Janice T. Wood of Benson; five brothers, Lloyd C. Turnage of Dunn, J. W. Turnage of Four Oaks, Larry R. Turnage of Holden Beach, Floyd L. Turnage of Benson, and Danny L. Turnage of Farmville; one grand-daughter, Kristy L. Turnage of North Topsail Beach.

Family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson 7-9 p.m. Monday and at other times at the home of Floyd Linwood and Sharon Turnage, Benson.

Raymond Allen Turnage

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

February 19, 1999

Raymond Allen Turnage, 87, died Tuesday afternoon at Betsy Johnson Hospital in Dunn. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Wilda May Pope, and his wife, Mary Messer Turnage. On his spare time, he made small fishing boats. He also Retired from Erwin Cotton Mills after 56 years. He was also the last Charter Member of the Erwin Church of God. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Friday at the Erwin Church of God, with Rev. Currie Parker officiating and burial will follow in Erwin Memorial Park.

He is survived by two sons, Donald Raymond Turnage of Garner, Joe Allen Turnage of Lillington; three daughters, Wanda T. Barefoot of Falcon, Doris T. Ennis of Coats, Elgie T. Beasley of Angier; 2 brothers, Woodrow Turnage of Erwin, Fred Turnage of Richmond, Va.; 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; several great-great-grandchildren.

Verdie Inez Turnage Holmes

From Stu Ackerman:

Verdie Turnage Holmes, 79, of 1557 Beasley Road, Benson, NC, died Tuesday, May 29, 2001, at Wake Medical Center. A native of Johnston County, she was a daughter of the late Eloneous and Rovira Jernigan Turnage and the widow of Garland W. Holmes.

She was preceded in death by four sisters, Mamie Hockaday, Myrtice Lee, Rowena Hockaday, and Mettie Turnage; and five brothers, Floyd Turnage, Sherrill Turnage, Maronia Turnage, Malcolm Turnage, and Coy Turnage.

She had worked at Wellons' Candy Company, Erwin Mills, and Hardees of Benson until she retired because of her health. Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Grove Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Joanne Mercer. Burial will be in Banner's Chapel Church Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Geneva Sorrell and husband, J. W. Sorrell of Dunn; Gayle Matthews and husband, Gene Matthews, of Raleigh, and Helen Holmes of Benson; grandchildren: Jennifer Holmes, Sharon and husband, Doug Rothwell; Woody Johnson and wife, Lora Johnson; Kathy and husband, Crawford Hobgood; Sara and husband, Timmy Creech; Jessica Johnson and husband, Tony DiSanzo; and Jason Holmes; and a sister, Vira Turnage Blackman of Four Oaks; and three great-grandchildren, Matthew Eugene Hobgood, John Crawford Hobgood, and Jason Keith Capps.

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

Vira Turnage Blackmon

Smithfield Herald

7/26/2005

Vira Turnage Blackmon, 85, of 3518 N.C. 96 South, Four Oaks, died Sunday. She was the widow of William Ashley Blackmon. The funeral was scheduled for 4 p.m. today (Tuesday) at Lee's Chapel Advent Christian Church near Four Oaks. The Rev. Rodney Brittain was to officiate, with burial following in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Ann Cayton of Kenly and Judy Duncan of Smithfield; a son, Billy R. Blackmon of Four Oaks; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

William Louis Turnage

Dunn Daily Record

08/13/2007

William Louis Turnage, 78, of Erwin died Saturday, Aug. 11, 2007, at Highsmith Hospital in Fayetteville. He was formerly of 701 E. H St., Erwin, but had been in the N. C. State Veterans Home in Fayetteville. He was a retired civil engineer with the postal service at Fort Bragg.

He was the son of the late John William and Addie Holmes Turnage and was preceded in death by his wife, Laura "BoPeep" Poythress Turnage; and a brother; Frankie D. Turnage. Funeral services with military honors will be held 2 p.m. today at Price Funeral Home Chapel. The Revs. Barry Jones and Alton Childers will officiate. Burial will follow at Erwin Memorial Park.

Survivors include brothers, Vernon L. Turnage of Linden and Leamon L. Turnage of Austin, Texas; and a sister, Deloris T. Quick of Dunn.

The family will receive friends today at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.