

Obituaries

Buck Church

William Buck Church Sr., 83, of Mooresville died Monday, Aug. 27, 2001 at his residence.

Born May 20, 1918 in Iredell County, he was a son of the late Roy Grover and Eulalia Benfield Church. Mr. Church was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving four years and four months, three of which were spent in Italy and Germany. He retired at the end of 1960 as a foreman of the paint department at Cannon Mills in Kannapolis after 37 years of service.

Mr. Church was a member of Centre Presbyterian Church in Mt. Mourne where he served as a deacon. He was a volunteer with the Iredell County Sheriff's Department for 30 years as well as a retired member of the Shepherd Volunteer Fire Department, where he was named Fireman of the Year in 1973. He was a member of the Traffic Control Division as well as a former chaplain and board member. He also served as a board member of the Tom Swann VFW Post 1072, and the Stroke Club.

One brother, Paul Church, and two sisters, Helen Beaver and Ruby Cheek, preceded him in death.

He was married on Dec. 23, 1945 to Joncie Nantz Church, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Jane Hendrix of Mocksville; two sons, William B. "Sandy" Church Jr. and Jack Church, both of Mooresville; a brother, Roy Church Jr. of Raleigh; four sisters, Joan Sherrill of Mooresville, Ann Smith of Johnson City, Tenn., and Mary Adams and Margaret Helms, both of Kannapolis; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at Centre Presbyterian Church with Rev. Robert M. Howard officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 7-8:30 p.m. today (Wednesday), Aug. 29 at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, in Mooresville.

Memorials may be made to Centre Presbyterian Church, 129 Centre Church Road, Mooresville, N.C. 28117.

Colleen Correll

Colleen Rose Correll, 44, of Mooresville died Sunday, Aug. 26, 2001 at her home.

Born Jan. 22, 1957 in Concord, she was a daughter of Bobby Lee Correll Sr. of Kannapolis and the late Eriscilla Dorette Correll. She worked for Lowe's Home Improvement as a lawn and garden associate and was also employed at Greg's Bar-B-Que. She was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church and was a member of Gold Wing Chapter 12.

In addition to her father, Ms. Correll is survived by a son, Charles Lee Correll of Greensboro; a sister, Kathy Correll of China Grove; 3 brothers, Kevin Dale Correll and Armand Douglas Correll, both of Kannapolis, and Bobby Lee Correll Jr. of Lexington; six nephews, five nieces; and one great niece.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. today (Wednesday), Aug. 29 at Centenary United Methodist Church with Rev. Buddy Champion officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice at Charlotte, 1420 E. 7th Street, Charlotte, N.C. 28204.

James Nantz

James Preston Nantz, 65, of Salisbury, died Saturday, Aug. 25, 2001 at his residence.

Born Dec. 11, 1935 in Rowan County, he was a son of Clarence Preston and Cora Lee Pope Nantz. He retired with Rags Incorporated of Rockwell and was presently employed with Wal-Mart of Salisbury. He was a member of West Corinth Baptist Church in Mooresville.

Two sisters, Ester Mae Nantz and Mary Kathleen Coone, and two brothers, Charles McLelland Nantz and Edgar Bell Nantz, preceded him in death.

Survivors include five children, Timothy Nantz of Lexington, Linda N. Litaker of Charlotte, Julie N. Haughton of Batavia, Ohio, Diana L. Young of Salisbury and Denise N. Ackley of Easton, Pa.; three sisters, Elizabeth Compton and Lois Williams, both of Mooresville, and Mable Lee Leonard of Faith; three brothers, Oscar Nantz and Gray Nantz, both of Mooresville, and Johnny Nantz of Mocksville; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Aug. 28 at the Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Willow Valley Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Rowan Regional Hospice, 118 E. Council St., Salisbury, N.C. 28144.

Grant Laphis

Grant Andrew Laphis, 78, of Troutman, died Sunday, Aug. 26, 2001 at N.C. Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Born April 13, 1923 in Iredell County, he was the son of the late Andrew and Nannie Owen Laphis. Mr. Laphis was a veteran of World War II, a member of the American Legion and Troutman United Methodist Church. He was retired from Sherrill Machine Company and was a member of the Troutman Volunteer Fire Department for 38 years.

Mr. Laphis was married in 1946 to Annie Whitener Laphis, who survives.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, include many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Marie Irby.

Military graveside rites were held Tuesday, Aug. 28 at Iredell Memorial Gardens. A memorial service followed at Troutman First United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 204 Mills Avenue, Troutman, N.C. 28166.

Mary Jean Wilkinson

Mary Jean Chapman Wilkinson of Sherrills Ford died Monday, Aug. 27, 2001.

Born in Lincoln County, Mrs. Wilkinson was the daughter of the late Robert Chapman and Johnnie Chapman Sigmon.

She was married to Tunny M. Wilkinson, who survives.

Also surviving, in addition to her husband, are one son, Robby Wilkinson of Statesville; one daughter, Rhonda Hatley of Lincoln; two brothers, Larry Chapman of Lincoln and "Butch" Chapman of Vale; three sisters, Janice Simmons of Lenoir, Sandra Johnson of Raleigh and Melvina King of Denver; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today (Wednesday) Aug. 29 at 11 a.m. at Bogue City Baptist Church with Rev. David Carter and Rev. Eric Reel officiating. The body will lie in state 30 minutes prior to the service. Burial will follow in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Bogue City Baptist Church Building Fund, 2201 E. Main St., Lincolnton, N.C. 28092.

Ray Sifford

Ray Kinard Sifford, 84, of Charlotte, died on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2001 at Lakeview Living Center.

Born March 23, 1917 in Rowan County to the late Wiley Lee and Fannie Davis Sifford, he was a graduate of Boyden High School in Salisbury. Mr. Sifford was a retired licensed optician with Wakefield Optical Company and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He was a charter member of Ascension Lutheran Church in Danville, Va. and Redeemer Lutheran Church in Charlotte, and was currently a member of A Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church in Charlotte.

Survivors include two sons, Franklin "Ray" Sifford of Charlotte and Clifton "Cliff" Glenn Sifford of Waxhaw; one daughter, Sue Sifford Parks of Denver; and one sister, Ruth Sifford Carpenter, of Columbia, S.C.

Mr. Sifford was preceded in death by five brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Aug. 27 at A Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church. Burial followed in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to A Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church Building Fund, 8200 McClure Circle, Charlotte, N.C. 28210.

Phillip Viviano

Phillip Anthony Viviano, 83, of Cornelius died Saturday, Aug. 25, 2001 after years of declining health.

Born June 11, 1918 in Bunkle, La., he was a son of Italian immigrants, the late Louis and Pauline Candella Viviano. He was an 82nd Airborne Paratrooper serving in World War II and a drill sergeant at Fort Benning, Ga. Mr. Viviano was a retired postal worker and auctioneer. He was Past President of the N.C. Auctioneers' Association and was inducted into the Auctioneers' Hall of Fame. Mr. Viviano gave many years of charitable work and was noted for his work with the WBTV Boys Town Auction. He was a Rotarian with the North Mecklenburg Rotary and a Paul Harris Fellow.

He was married to Jewell Hayes Viviano, who survives.

In addition to his wife, survivors include two daughters, Charlotte Snodgrass of Concord and Norma Viviano-Floyd of Midland; three stepsons, Dennis Wall, Glenn Wall and Dwight Wall, all of Raleigh; two sisters, Lula Bruno and Mary Tower, both of Alexandria, La.; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today (Wednesday), Aug. 29 at St. Marks Catholic Church in Huntersville with Father Joseph Kerin and Rev. J.E. Wayland Jr. officiating. Entombment will follow at Forest Lawn West Mausoleum.

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This unique campaign is a team effort among The Pampered Chef's customers, independent Kitchen Consultants, corporate employees and America's Second Harvest, the largest hunger relief charity in the United States. Last year's \$1.2 million donation from the

Pampered Chef brought the Round-Up campaign's 10-year total to more than \$5 million, which is the largest cash donation of any promotional sponsor in America's Second Harvest's history.

The Pampered Chef's more than 62,000 independent Kitchen Consultants across the country promote the Round-Up from the Heart campaign during Kitchen Shows they conduct between September 1, 2001 and February 28, 2002. Customers contribute to the campaign by rounding up their purchase totals to the nearest dollar or more. These funds are then sent to the America's Second Harvest food banks in the

region where the donations originate, making this a national campaign with a local impact.

Customers can also purchase a special collector's cookie mold. For each mold purchased, The Pampered Chef donates \$1 to the national office of America's Second Harvest. The company also contributes to the administrative costs of the campaign, which includes salaries and supplies.

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our goal of setting a place at the table for everyone."

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