Albin Randolph Lassiter

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) April 5, 1998

Albin R. Lassiter, 85, of 562 Elevator Rd., died Friday, April 3, 1998 at Johnston Memorial Hospital. Mr. Lassiter was a farmer and was the son of the late Lonnie Lassiter and Kitty Strickland Lassiter. He was preceded in death by his wife, Clara Lee Lassiter (1979) and a son, Randy Lassiter. Funeral 2 p.m. Monday at Minshew Funeral Home. Rev. Lorne Ross officiating. Burial, Lees Chapel AC Christian Church Cemetery.

Surviving: daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Russell Keen of Raleigh; daughter-in-law, Kathy Hardee Lassiter of Four Oaks; grandchildren, Phillip Keen of Zebulon, Deanna K. McDonald of Sarosota, Fla., Marty R. Lassiter of Bentonville, Kimberly L. Canady, Ruth L. Strickland, Annie L. Wood, all of Four Oaks; brother, Wade Lassiter of Four Oaks.

Memorials maybe made to Hospice of Johnston County or Johnston County Unit American Cancer Society. Family at Minshew Funeral Home Sunday, 7-9 p.m.

Alene Porter Mason

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) April 17, 2002

ERWIN -- Ms. Alene P. Mason, 88, of 406 S. 15th St., died Tuesday in her home. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in Price Funeral Home chapel in Erwin by the Rev. Jerome Pope. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Ms. Mason is survived by two daughters, Linda Davis and Rosa Lee Faircloth, both of Erwin; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

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

Anna Ruth Strickland Stewart

The Smithfield Herald 12/20/2005

Anna Ruth Strickland Stewart, 91, of Four Oaks died Sunday, Dec. 18. Mrs. Stewart was the widow of Carlis Calvin Stewart. She was a member of the Goldsboro Seventh-Day Adventist Church for almost 50 years. A memorial service will be held at 7:30 p.m. today (Tuesday) at Minshew Funeral Home in Four Oaks. A graveside service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Hills of the Neuse Memory Gardens near Smithfield.

Surviving are a son, Danny Stewart of Raleigh; a daughter, Sylvia Gregory of North Fort Meyers, Fla.; two sisters, Camilla Carter of Atlanta, Ga., and Belle Beasley of Moncks Corner, S.C.; two brothers, Pete Strickland of Charleston, S.C., and Waldo Strickland of Robbinsville; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6 till 7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Building Fund at Goldsboro Seventh-Day Adventist Church, P.O. Box 271, Goldsboro, N.C. 27533.

Annie Mae Lassiter Wood

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) September 20, 1999

Mrs. Annie Mae Lassiter Wood, age 73, of 61 Oak Park Apts., Four Oaks, NC, died Sunday morning. She was a Certified Nursing Assistant and a member of Barbour's Chapel Advent Christian Church. Funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Barbour's Chapel Advent Christian Church. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Survivors: daughters, Joan W. Clark of Clayton and Susie W. Byrd of Smithfield; sons, Eddie Wood of Smithfield and Gary Wood of Four Oaks; sister, Ruth L. Strickland of Four Oaks; brother, Wade Lassiter of Four Oaks; four grandchildren.

Family will be at Minshew Funeral Home 7-9 p.m. Monday night.

Bernard Moses Dupree

Parrish & Underwood Funeral Homes Notice 05/10/2007

Pine Level – Bernard Moses "Bernie" Dupree, age 86, died Wednesday evening in Johnston Memorial Hospital. Born December 25, 1920 in Johnston County he was a son of the late Nassie Bernard and Ila Strickland Dupree and was preceded in death by his wife, Josephine Debole "Josie" Dupree on June 4, 2004.

Bernie owned and operated Dupree's Super Service in Smithfield from 1955 – 1982 when he retired. A US Navy veteran he was the last living charter member of Pine Level American Legion Post 405. He was a member of the Pine Level Free Will Baptist Church. A graveside service, with military honors, will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Saturday in the Selma Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Donald Coates officiating.

Surviving are his sons, Joe Bernie Dupree and wife, Sue of Pine Level, Richard B. Dupree and wife Gloria of Angier, Mike Dupree and wife Deborah of Oxford, John Dupree and wife Christy of Smithfield and David Dupree and wife Jane of Cornelius, sisters, Maude Creech of Pine Level

and Juanita Sharpe of Colorado Springs, CO, ten grandchildren, Jay Dupree, Kim Dupree Britt, John Dupree, Jr., Justin Dupree, Taylor Dupree, Michael Dupree, II, Carson Dupree, Banks Dupree, Britton Dupree and Carmen Dupree and three great grandchildren, Blake Britt, Joseph Britt and Ella John Dupree.

Christine Capps Stewart

Dunn Daily Record 03/19/2007

Christine Capps Stewart, 89, of Southern Pines died Friday, March 16, 2007, at St. Joseph Health Care in Southern Pines. She was born in Johnston County to the late Alton and Clydia Strickland Capps. She was employed by the U.S. government and served in many capacities. Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. today at Powell Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Rod Stone. Burial will be at Banners Chapel Cemetery in Benson.

Survivors include nieces, Emma H. Hudson of Dunn and Shirley Wooten of Macclesfield; a nephew, Larry Capps of Manorville, Wash.; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Arrangements by Powell Funeral Home in Southern Pines.

Clara Rebecca Strickland Mason

Dunn Daily Record 09/03/2007

Clara Rebecca Strickland Mason, 68, of Lillington died Saturday, Sept. 1, 2007, at E. Carlton Powell Hospice Center after a battle with cancer. She was born in Harnett County to the late Eugene Strickland and Janie Holder Strickland Womble. She was a member of Spring Hill United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Mason worked as a seamstress for W. Koury Company in Sanford for many years and retired as a food service employee at Western Harnett High School. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest Elbert Mason. Funeral services were held this morning at 11 at Spring Hill UM Church in Lillington by the Rev. Keith Miller. Burial was at the church cemetery.

Survivors include sons, Scott Mason and wife Brenda of Lillington, Terrence Mason and wife Mary Grace of Concord, Lewis Mason and wife Audrey of Lillington; grandchildren, Tracy Gaines, Adam Mason, Leah Buckner, Ashley Mason, Kerry Mason, Brooke Mason and Kyle Mason; great-grandchildren, Jack Mason and Matti Claire Gaines; a sister, Jo Anne Thomas of Lillington; and brother, James Barry Holder of Lillington.

Memorials may be made to the E. Carlton Powell Hospice Center, 185 Pine State St., Lillington, NC 27546. Arrangements by O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home.

Clarence Edward Olive

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) July 24, 2000

Funeral services for Clarence Edward Olive will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday from the Chapel of Underwood Funeral Home conducted by Rev. Lee Colbert, Pastor of the First Baptist Church. Interment will follow in Hills of the Neuse Memory Gardens.

Surviving: wife, Patsy Strickland Olive.

The family will receive friends at Underwood Funeral Home tonight from 7-9 p.m. and at other times at the home of Belvin Strickland, 237 Oliver Street, Pine Level.

Earnest Jeffery Holmes

Smithfield Herald 08/08/2006

Earnest J. Holmes, 88, of Benson died Sunday, Aug. 6, at Betsy Johnson Hospital in Dunn. Born April 8, 1918, in Harnett County, Mr. Holmes was the son of the late Arthur and Lula Strickland Holmes. He was retired from the retail furniture business. Mr. Holmes was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and he was a member of Dunn Advent Christian Church. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the cemetery at Banner Chapel Advent Christian Church near Benson. Michael Whitley will officiate.

Surviving is a son, A.G. Holmes of Knightdale.

The family will receive friends from 7 till 9 p.m. today (Tuesday) at Rose & Graham Funeral Home, 301 W. Main St., Benson; and other times at the home of Janice Barefoot, 484 Dragstrip Road, Benson.

Edna Gray Holmes Strickland

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) September 1, 2001

Ms. Edna Gray Strickland, 73, of Dunn, died Friday in Duke University Medical Center in Durham. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday in Skinner Funeral Home chapel in Dunn by the Rev. Jeff Roberts and Dr. Karl Minor. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Ms. Strickland is survived by a daughter, Alice A. Warren of Apex; two brothers, O.W. Holmes of Dunn and Erdie Holmes of Charlotte; and a granddaughter.

The family will receive friends Sunday from 2 to 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Ethel Ann Ennis Cooper

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) September 3, 1996

COATS -- Mrs. Ethel Ennis Cooper, 92, of Route 2 died Monday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. She had been a homemaker and a member of Red Hill Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Benson by the Revs. Billy Smith and Michael Boyette. Burial will follow in the Ennis family cemetery.

Mrs. Cooper is survived by two daughters, Barbara Allen of Morganton and Betty Hudson of Coats; a son, Thomas E. Cooper of Coats; a sister, Lois E. Johnson of Coats; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

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

Fred Robert Barbour

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) October 26, 2002

Mr. Fred R. Barbour, 75, Tulip Lane, Four Oaks, died Friday morning at his residence. The funeral will be Sunday, October 27, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. in the Four Oaks United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in the Four Oaks Cemetery. Reverend Joey Yow will officiate.

Surviving: wife, Helen Partin Barbour; daughters, Linda Sutton of Elizabethtown and Sue Edwards of Fairmont; son, Robbie Barbour of Richmond, VA; sisters, Agnes Wood of Benson, Mabel Wood, Eunice Langdon, Margarite Massengill, all of Four Oaks, Lois Olive of Smithfield; brother, Joe Mack Barbour of Four Oaks; four grandchildren.

Flowers are welcomed, but memorials may be made to Community Hospice, 19 Noble Street, Smithfield, NC 27577. The family will be at Minshew Funeral Home on Saturday from 7-9 p.m.

George Calvin McLamb

News & Observer, The (NC) 11/23/2007

Mr. George Calvin McLamb, 82, of 133 Tram Lane, Clayton, died Wednesday, November 21, 2007 at his home. Mr. McLamb was born in Johnston County to the late Junious and Louie Benson McLamb. He was a member of the VFW and Deacon of Smithfield Advent Christian Church and owner of M & J used cars.

Funeral service will be 3:00 p.m. Saturday, November 24, 2007 at Smithfield Advent Christian Church with Reverend Mike Tart and Reverend Ed Adams officiating. Burial will follow in Hills of Neuse Memory Gardens. Family will receive friends at Smithfield Advent Christian Church on Saturday November 24, 2007 from 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Surviving family are daughter, Deborah Ricks of Princeton; step-daughter, Sylvia Rackley of Smithfield; grandchildren, Sue Wilson, Amanda Hooks, Brittany Hooks, Ricky Twigg, Mike Twigg, Scott Worley and Beverly Kelly.

Memorials may be given to Smithfield Christian Church, P. O. Box 2197, Smithfield, NC 27577.

Gladys Pauline Raynor Weeks

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) September 16, 1995

DUNN -- Mrs. Gladys Pauline Raynor Weeks, 72, of Route 2 died Friday. She was a member of Stoney Run Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday in Stoney Run Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church by the Revs. Thomas Rupp and Johnny Hamilton. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Weeks is survived by her husband, Ruffin D. Weeks of Dunn; a son, R. Dwayne Weeks of Dunn; three daughters, Judy W. Massengill, Bonnie W. Hamilton and Shirley W. Collier, all of Dunn; a brother, James Raynor of Roseboro; two sisters, Geraldine R. Beasley and Ethel R. Houston, both of Dunn; 14 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

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

Imogene Agnes Avery Benson Byrd

Dunn Daily Record 04/04/2006

Agnes Avery Byrd, 78, of Erwin died Monday afternoon, April 3, 2006, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. Graveside services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday at Erwin Memorial Park by the Rev. Jerome Pope.

Survivors include sons, Roger Dales Giles, Rondey Maylon Giles, Johnny Mack Strickland, Larry Glenn Strickland and Gary Lelon Benson, all of Erwin; daughters, Brenda Strickland Newsome of Selma, Wanda Faye Stewart of Erwin and Gay Wilson of Erwin; a sister, Carolyn Irene Sessoms of Sanford; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

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

Janie Holder Strickland Womble

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) July 7, 1996

Mrs. Janie Holder Womble, 82, of Lillington died Saturday in her home. The funeral will be conducted at 4 p.m. Monday in Spring Hill United Methodist Church by the Rev. Bobby Tyson. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Womble is survived by two daughters, Clara Mason of the home and Joanne Thomas of Lillington; a son, James B. Holder of Lillington; a stepdaughter, Elizabeth Butler of Lillington; three sisters, Velva Norton, Mary Holder and Peggy Holder, all of Sanford; two brothers, Nelson Holder of Fayetteville and Hoey Holder of Lillington; three foster sisters, Mamie Faircloth and Emogene Currin, both of Lillington, and Blanche Withers of Broadway; a foster brother, Gilbert McPhail of Lillington; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Spring Hill United Methodist Church, Route 3, Box 356, Lillington, N.C. 27546 or to St. Joseph's Home Health, 504 W. Broad St., Dunn, N.C. 28334.

Jesse Randolph Pinkham

Winston-Salem Journal (NC) February 4, 2001

Mr. Jesse Randolph Pinkham, 85, died Friday Feb. 2, 2001, at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home. Mr. Pinkham was born Oct. 30, 1915, in Washington, N.C., to James Richard and

Margaret Alligood Pinkham. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Washington.

Mr. Pinkham was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret Olivia Strickland, and his second wife, Margaret Southerland Carter. He graduated with honors from N.C. State University with a degree in engineering. Mr. Pinkham was formerly employed with General Electric, General Motors, Union Carbide and R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. After retirement Mr. Pinkham continued working as a consultant for R.J. Reynolds. In addition to his career as an engineer he had many patents on machines, including the Tobacco Harvester.

Surviving are one son, Jimmy Randolph Pinkham and his wife Carol; two grandchildren, Tylila Nicole Pinkham and Beau James Pinkham all of Iowa City, Iowa; one brother-in-law, Richard Southerland and his wife Mary Jo; longtime and very dear friend Mary Ferguson; and he will be missed by longtime friends, Tull McArthur and Bob Bodenhamer and wife Audrey.

A memorial service will be held 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, in the mausoleum chapel at Forsyth Memorial Park with Chaplain Fred Moretz officiating. The family wishes memorials to be made to Hospice of Winston-Salem, 1100-C S. Stratford Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27103.

Jesse Wade Lassiter

Smithfield Herald 05/25/2007

Jesse W. Lassiter, 90, of Boyette Road, Four Oaks, died Tuesday, May 22, at Johnston Memorial Hospital. He was born in Johnston County on Feb. 9, 1917 to Lonnie and Kittie Strickland Lassiter. A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in the chapel of Minshew Funeral Home with Rev. Barry Barbour officiating. Burial will follow in the Four Oaks Cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Billy G. Lassiter of Selma, and Jerry Lassiter; a sister, Ruth Strickland of Four Oaks; and a granddaughter. Mr. Strickland was preceded in death by his wife, Blanche Lassiter, and a son, Tony Lassiter.

The family will receive friends from 7 until 9 p.m. on Friday at Minshew Funeral Home.

Jessie Francis Porter Byrd Hall

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) November 30, 2000

Ms. Jessie Porter Hall, 83, of Erwin died Wednesday. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday in Price Funeral Home chapel in Erwin by the Revs. Jerome Pope and Wesley Hamilton. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Ms. Porter is survived by a sister, Aline Mason of Erwin.

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

Kathleen Strickland Jackson

Dunn Daily Record 03/20/2007

Kathleen Strickland Jackson, 95, of the Mingo community of Dunn died Sunday, March 18, 2007, at Dunn Rehab and Nursing Center. The Sampson County native was a daughter of the late Isaac Columbus and Mary Alice Taylor Strickland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vasco "Peanut" Jackson. She was a retired school teacher in the Sampson County and Cumberland County school systems. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday at Mingo Baptist Church by the Rev. Louis Strickland. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Pat J. Lee and husband Billy of Dunn; a son, Ronnie Jackson and wife Carolyn of Clinton; sisters, Mildred Baggett of Fayetteville and Rose Surles of Grantham; brothers, Ivan Strickland of Buies Creek and Ray Strickland of Raleigh; grandchildren, Sherrye Royals, Leanne Camp and Scott Jackson; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to Mingo Baptist Church, 1465 Mingo Church Road, Dunn, NC 28334.

Lena Strickland Godwin

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) April 16, 2001

AUG. 19, 1906 - APRIL 14, 2001

SMITHFIELD - Mrs. Lena Strickland Godwin, 94, died at her home at 126 West Caroline Avenue, Smithfield, Saturday afternoon following a period of failing health. She was the widow of John Ralph Godwin who died in 1988. Lena was a native of Johnston County, a daughter of the late Thomas D. Strickland and Cornelia Royal Strickland.

Funeral service will be held at 2p.m. Tuesday from the chapel of Underwood Funeral Home conducted by Rev. Steve Hall. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery at Benson.

Surviving sons, Gerald Godwin and wife, Beryl of Four Oaks, John Ralph (Bud) Godwin and wife, Dorothy of Clayton and Jimmie Godwin and wife, Phyllis of Smithfield; daughters, Ruth

Strickland and husband Lloyd of Wilson, Lois Jean Wilkins and husband, James of Durham Betty Norris and husband, Buddy of Four Oaks, Jo Ann Pope and husband, John of Smithfield; a sister Pauline Byrd of Dunn; 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

The family of Lena Strickland Godwin will receive friends at Underwood Funeral Home, Monday from 7-9 p.m.

Lois Golden Barbour Olive

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) July 15, 2005

Mrs. Lois Barbour Olive, age 91, of Black Creek Road, Smithfield, died on Wednesday, July 13, 2005. She was born in Johnston County on November 21, 1913 to the late William Arthur and Bettie Strickland Barbour, and was the widow of J. Alphonso Olive. Mrs. Olive was a member of Pisgah Baptist Church, and the Order of Eastern Star. Her funeral will be Saturday, July 16, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. at Pisgah Baptist Church with Rev. Bill Monroe officiating. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Surviving family are daughter, Jenny Olive Eason and husband, Don of Hendersonville, TN; sons, Billy Gray Olive of Smithfield, and Hunter Eli Olive and wife, Janie of Smithfield; daughter-in-law, June J. Olive of Smithfield; sisters, Eunice B. Langdon of Four Oaks, Agnes B. Wood of Benson, and Margarite B. Massengill of Four Oaks; brother, Joe Mack Barbour and wife, Laura Beth of Four Oaks; sisters-in-law, Helen P. Barbour, and Lottie G. Barbour of Four Oaks; grandchildren, Tami Thompson and husband, David, Dawn Lee and husband, Jeff, Wesley Olive, Melissa Eason, Matt Eason, Amanda Olive, and Mary Hunter Olive; five great-grandchildren; and many, many special nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by son, Jimmy Olive; grandson, Neil Olive; brothers, Hugh Arthur Barbour, Fred Robert Barbour, and sister, Mabel Barbour Wood.

Memorials may be made to Pisgah Baptist Church, 3076 NC Highway 210, Smithfield, NC 27577. The family will be at Minshew Funeral Home on Friday from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m.

Mabel Estelle Barbour Wood

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) October 29, 2004

FOUR OAKS -- Mabel Estelle Barbour Wood, 93, of the Blackman's Crossroads Community, died Thursday, October 28th, 2004. She was the eldest of eight children. Her parents were the late William Arthur and Bettie S. Barbour. She attended the Four Oaks Public Schools in the 1920's and graduated from East Carolina Teacher's College with a teaching certificate in 1933. She valued education immensely. In the 1930's and 1940's she taught in the Johnston County

School System at both Brogden and Meadow Schools. Her career also included being a Johnston County truant officer and a substitute teacher at Four Oaks School. Her hard work ethic also extended far beyond the classroom, most notably to her husband's farming career. Her love and devotion to children and her unique ability to reach and teach them guided her for 40 years as she taught Sunday School classes of all ages at Blackman's Grove Baptist Church. Even in declining health, she demonstrated her love for God and her strong faith influenced both her life and that of the family's.

On December 18th, 1936, she married Charlie S. Wood. They were happily married for 44 years. Her beloved husband preceded her in death in 1981. She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Hugh Arthur Barbour and Fred Robert Barbour, both of Four Oaks.

To cherish her memories and celebrate her joyous and wonderful Christian life. She leaves her loving and devoted family; her son and daughter-in-law, Charles Edward Wood and Brenda, of the home; her daughter and son-in-law, Jo Ann Wood Williford and Thomas of Newton Grove; grandson, Charles Christopher Wood and wife, Veronica, of Virginia Beach; granddaughter, Beth Wood Smith and husband Burt, of Clayton; grandson, Joey Wood Williford and wife Robin of Newton Grove; a granddaughter, Laura Jo Barbour Williford, of Raleigh; and four great-grandchildren whom she dearly loved and adored in much later life; Bailey Elizabeth Smith and Charles Braxton Smith of Clayton and Kate Marie Wood and Laura Nicole Wood of Virginia Beach.

She is also survived by four sisters; Lois B. Olive of Smithfield, Eunice B. Langdon of Four Oaks, Agnes B. Wood of Benson, Margarite B. Massengill of Four Oaks and one brother Joe Mack Barbour of Four Oaks and his wife, Laura Beth; three sisters-in-law, Lot Barbour, Helen Barbour, and Laura Faye Wood Canady of Four Oaks; and numerous nieces and nephews that she loved.

She was affectionately remembered by those who knew her best as a loving sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was a helpful friend to many through her good deeds and caring nature in her community.

Her joy was spending time with her family, working in her beautiful flower beds, and cooking delicious meals that everyone enjoyed. She was an avid reader especially of the Bible and other religious materials. Although in later years her health did not allow her to attend church, she watched and listened to many hours of various televised church services. Her faith in God has been the guidepost and focus of her life. She exemplified a self-less life, always putting others first before her own needs. She truly was an example of the Godly woman who the writer of the song "Let Others See Jesus in You", must have envisioned. She had a talent for her quick wit, compassion, strength and courage, and always seeing the best in every situation. She had a great appreciation for her parents and the example they set for her and her siblings. They also taught her the importance and value of work. She carried this over into married life as she worked many long and hard hours doing various jobs on the farm with her husband. Many sought her advice for her keen knowledge and wisdom on a broad array of subjects.

Funeral services will be held at Blackman's Grove Baptist Church on Saturday, October 30, 2004 at 4:00 p.m. Officiating will be Revs. Jessie Mooney and Jerry Hicks. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends Friday, October 29, 2004 at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Funeral arrangements are in the care of Minshew Funeral Home, 5820 US Highway 301 South, Four Oaks, NC (919) 963-3117. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Blackman's Grove Baptist Church Building fund, c/o J.W. Johnson, 2446 Thompson Road, Four Oaks, NC 27524.

Margaret Evelyn Holmes McLamb

Dunn Daily Record 5/31/2002

Margaret E. McLamb, 78, of Dunn died Thursday morning at her home. The Johnston County native was the daughter of the late Son A. and Lula S. Holmes. She was preceded in death by her husband, Evander McLamb. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Skinner Funeral Home by the Rev. Michael Whitley. Burial will follow at Young family cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Tommy McLamb and wife Linda, and Donnie McLamb, all of Dunn; a daughter, Janice M. Barefoot and husband Wayne of Benson; a brother, Ernest Holmes of Dunn; five grandchildren, Tonya Edgerton, Kim Dunn, Emily McLamb, Kevin McLamb and Tisha McLamb; and a great-grandchild, Hanna Edgerton.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Harnett, 111-A N. Ellis Ave., Dunn, N.C. 28334.

Nellie Frances Strickland McLamb

Dunn Daily Record 12/06/2004

Nellie S. McLamb, 94, of Benson died Saturday. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. today at West & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Rev. Doug Abel. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Geraldine McLamb of Dunn, Earline Wood of Benson and Doris Lee of Four Oaks; sons, Shelton McLamb of Benson and Dwight McLamb of Fuquay-Varina; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Nellie Gregory Strickland

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) June 21, 1998

Nellie Gregory Strickland, 72, died Friday, June 19, 1998. Funeral service 3 p.m. Sunday, June 21, 1998 at Thomas Funeral Home Chapel. Burial, Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. Mrs. Strickland was preceded in death by a grandson, Jim Coley.

Surviving, husband, George E. Strickland; daughters, Shirley S. Coley of Raleigh, Joyce S. Hanna and husband, Bob of Colombia, S.C.; son, Larry Strickland and wife, Ann of Clayton; five grandchildren; sisters, Alice Leslie of Sanford and Georgie Mims of Fuquay-Varina; brother, Woodrow Gregory of Coats.

Neva Creech Strickland Woodard

Daytona Beach News-Journal (FL) September 10, 1997

SEVILLE - Neva C. Woodard, 98, of Lake George Road, former owner/operator of Woodard's Cafe, died Sunday at home. Mrs. Woodard moved to this area in 1943 from her native Four Oaks, N.C. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the United Methodist Women. She enjoyed crocheting, gardening and making quilts.

Survivors include a son, J.R. Strickland, Clayton, N.C.; three daughters, Ruby S. Bailey, Selma, N.C., Joyce W. Martin, Seville, and June W. Zimmerman, Alabama; two brothers, J.W. Creech, Norfolk, Va., and W.N. Creech, Fayetteville, N.C.; a sister, Floy C. Smith, Newport News, Va.; eight grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Allen-Summerhill, DeLand, is in charge.

Robert Glenn Dupree

Parrish & Underwood Funeral Homes Notice 01/27/2007

Robert Glenn Dupree, age 75, died January 26, 2007 at Johnston Memorial Hospital. Born in Johnston County August 23, 1931, he was the son of Nassie and Ila Strickland Dupree. He was a member of the Pine Level Free Will Baptist Church and the Pine Level American Legion post #405.

Robert has left the BarberShop after 40 some years. As much as we hate to see him leave we know it was a must. So when and if you see him, nod your head and smile. Let him know you

miss him and that he's gone the extra mile. Graveside service will be held on Monday, January 29, 2007 at 11:00am at Crocker Cemetery in Selma with Luby Tyner officiating.

Surviving are: wife, Jeanette Murray Dupree, of Kenly his daughter Debra Dupree of Louisville, Kentucky, Brother, Bernie Dupree of Pine Level, Two Sisters, Maude Creech, of Pine Level, Juanita Sharpe of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Two stepsons, Joe Price of Princeton, Donnie Price, of New York, Stepdaughter, Sherry Brant, of Kingsland Georgia, and Ten Grandchildren and Five Great grandchildren.

Susan Jane Porter Brown

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) August 13, 1999

DUNN -- Mrs. Susan Porter Brown, 89, of 3306 Meadowlark Road died Thursday. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Price Funeral Home chapel in Erwin by the Rev. Jerome Pope. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Mrs. Brown is survived by two sons, Lonnie Brown of Monroe and William "Butch" Brown of Dunn; three daughters, Geraldine King of Hillsborough, Margaret Hayes of Erwin and Janet Lackey of Dunn; two sisters, Alene Mason and Jessie Hall, both of Erwin; 20 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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

Vasco Jackson

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC) February 1, 1997

DUNN -- Vasco "Peanut" Jackson, 89, of 976 Aman Dairy Road died Friday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday in Mingo Baptist Church by the Rev. Louis Strickland. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Jackson is survived by his wife, Kathleen Jackson of the home; a son, Ronnie Jackson of Clinton; a daughter, Mrs. Pat Lee of Dunn; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Mingo Baptist Church, 1465 Mingo Church Road, Dunn, N.C. 28334.

William Ray Clifton, Sr.

Dunn Daily Record 03/10/2005

William Ray Clifton Sr., 75, of Pine Hill Farm, Benson, died Wednesday at his home. He was born Oct. 8, 1929, in Johnston County to the late Willie E. and Ada Coats Clifton. He was preceded in death by brothers, Worth Clifton and Dwight Clifton.

Mr. Clifton operated heavy equipment for construction. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Friday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Rev. R.B. Parrish. Burial will follow at Roselawn Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Clifton; a son, Willie Clifton and wife Leslie of Garner; a daughter, Sandra C. Brewer and husband Steve of Oxford; sisters, Vergie C. Whitt and Eloise Lee, both of Garner; a brother, Beeler Clifton of Benson; and grandchildren, Lyndsey Brewer, Jordan Clifton, Jacob Brewer, Kayley Clifton, Brooke Clifton and Ty Clifton.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and other times at the home of Willie and Leslie Clifton, 489 Galaxy Drive, Garner.

Willie Mills Strickland

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Willie Mills Strickland, 83, of Coats died Tuesday in Britthaven of Harnett. Mr. Strickland was a brick mason. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. today in Rose & Graham Funeral Home by the Rev. Glen E. Strickland. Burial will be in Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Mr. Strickland is survived by his wife, Mazelle G. Strickland of Dunn; a son, Fred Strickland of Coats; a brother, the Rev. Glen E. Strickland of Ladson, S.C.; four sisters, Lousie Hall of Clinton, Doris Strickland and Alene Strickland, both of Florida, and Clara M. Strickland; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the home of Fred and Hazel Strickland, 1480 Bailey Road, Coats.