

## **Allie Stevens Neighbors**

Smithfield Herald

7/26/2005

Allie Stevens Neighbors, 91, of 212 Evergreen Lane, Smithfield, died Sunday at Johnston Memorial Hospital. Born Feb. 3, 1914, in Johnston County, Mrs. Neighbors was the daughter of the late Walter and Betty Hodges Stevens. She was the widow of Howard Neighbors. Mrs. Neighbors was a homemaker and a member of Banner Chapel Advent Christian Church near Benson. The funeral was at 11 a.m. today (Tuesday) at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. The Rev. Jason E. Hurt officiated. Burial followed in Roselawn Cemetery in Benson.

Surviving are a daughter, Jean Diedrich of Raleigh; a son, Rayford Byrd of Smithfield; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com](http://www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com).

## **Bettie Ann Byrd**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

December 4, 2000

Ms. Bettie Ann Byrd, 93, of Coats died Saturday in Harnett Manor Nursing Home in Lillington. Ms. Byrd was a retired textile employee and a homemaker. She was a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by Elder Fred Williams. Burial will be in the Coats City Cemetery.

Ms. Byrd is survived by two sisters, Mavis Johnson of Benson and Agnes Couch of Chester, S.C.; and a brother, Victor Byrd of Benson.

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

## **Earl Hugh Stevens**

Dunn Daily Record

2/24/2006

Earl Hugh Stevens, 75, of 3590 U.S. 301 South, Dunn, died Thursday, Feb. 23, 2006, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. He was born March 29, 1930, in Harnett County to the late William Albert and Daisey Wiggins Stevens. He retired from Erwin Mills with 48 years of service. Mr. Stevens was a member of Midway Pentecostal Holiness Church. Funeral services will be held 2

p.m. Saturday at Midway PH Church by the Rev. Edwin Norris. Burial will follow at Devotional Gardens Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Wiggins Stevens; sons, Ray Stevens and wife Cathy of Fuquay-Varina, Gene Stevens and wife Kitty, Tony Stevens and wife Carolyn, all of Dunn; sisters, Edna Collier of Coats and Margaret Pope of Angier; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn. Condolences may be sent to [www.cromartiemillerandlee.com](http://www.cromartiemillerandlee.com).

### **Flonnie Stewart Stevens**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
September 23, 1998

Mrs. Flonnie Stewart Stevens, 100, of Coats died Tuesday in Britthaven of Harnett County in Dunn. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Ronnie Byrd. Burial will be in the Williams family cemetery.

Mrs. Stevens is survived by a daughter, Vergie Taylor of Coats; two sons, Earl Stevens of Coats and Carlie Stevens of Angier; 20 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and 30 great-great-grandchildren.

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

### **Fula Mae Stevens Cobb**

Salisbury Post  
02/13/2001

KANNAPOLIS - The funeral is today for Fula Mae Stevens Cobb, 86, Greensboro, formerly of Kannapolis, who died Tuesday (Dec. 11, 2001) at Moses Cone Health System. Born July 12, 1915, in Johnston County, Mrs. Cobb was a daughter of the late Talbert and Nellie Mae Medlin Stevens. She was a member of Memorial United Methodist Church.

Survivors include son Mack Cobb, Greensboro; brothers Max Stevens, Arizona, and Jackie Stevens, Concord; sister Shirley Grass, Kannapolis; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services: 2 today, Whitley's Funeral Home chapel, conducted by the Rev. Otis Snow. Burial, Carolina Memorial Park. Visitation: 1-2 today at the funeral home. Memorials: Alzheimers Association, 3420 Shamrock Drive, Charlotte, NC 28215-3298.

## **George Hoyt Stephenson**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

April 11, 1999

G. Hoyt Stephenson, 74, of 3625 Abattoir Road, died Saturday at Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital in Dunn. He was a native of Harnett County, born November 17, 1924, to the late George W. and Viola Mae Stevens Stephenson. He was a retired farmer, a US Navy Veteran of World War II, and a member of Banner Post 109, American Legion.

Mr. Stephenson was preceded in death by his wife Shirley Hayes Stephenson. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Rose & Graham Funeral Chapel in Coats. Revs. Steve Pegram and Jesse Mooney will officiate. Burial will follow in Lakeside Memorial Gardens.

Surviving: daughter and son-in-law, Angela and Terry Godwin of Dunn; son, Lynn Hayes Stephenson of Coats; sister, Rachel Ennis of Coats; three grandchildren, Melissa Godwin, Stephen Godwin and Andrea Godwin.

The family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats from 7-9 p.m. Sunday and at other times at the home of Rachel and Charles Ennis, 1117 S. Lincoln Street, Coats, NC.

## **Geraldine Barbour Matthews Stevens**

Bryan Lee Funeral Home Notice

04/19/2007



ANGIER –Geraldine Matthews Stevens, 87, of 150 Langdon Road, died Wednesday at Betsy Johnson Hospital. A native of Harnett County, she was the daughter of the late Randall E. and Cora Tart Barbour. Funeral Service will be held at 3:00 PM Saturday in the Chapel of Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Angier. Burial will follow at Lakeside Memorial gardens.

Surviving: daughters, Katherine M. Deese and husband, W.T. of Angier; Josephine “Jo” Hawley of Coats; sons, Julius Ray Matthews and Max Matthews, both of Angier, “Buddy” Matthews and wife, Cathy of Fuquay-Varina; sisters, Blanche Matthews of Angier, Justine Morris of Benson; Jean Turnage and husband, Billy of Erwin; brothers, Bill Barbour and wife, Reba of Bunnlevel, Doyle Barbour and wife Ethel of Coats, sister-in-law, Verlene Barbour, nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and two great great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husbands, Tiny Matthews and Lawrence Stevens, brothers, Curtis and Paul Barbour, sisters, Winniford Haire and Valarie Horne.

The family will receive friends Friday 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Angier, and at other times at the home of Katherine and W.T. Deese, 107 Lester Dr., Angier. Flowers are welcome or a contribution may be made to the pre-need trust account of Max Gerald Matthews at First Citizens Bank, P.O. Box 159 Angier, NC 27501. Condolences to the family may be sent to [www.bryan-lee-funeralhome.com](http://www.bryan-lee-funeralhome.com).

### **James Sexton Pope**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

October 17, 1997

COATS -- Elder James Sexton Pope, 66, of 918 Carson Gregory Road died Thursday in Wake Medical Center in Raleigh. Mr. Pope was pastor of Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church and a member of Grove Rural Fire Department. He retired as manager of Par-Gas Co. in Buies Creek.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday in Gift Primitive Baptist Church by Elders Fred Williams, Tony Parker and Worth Stephenson. Burial will be in Lakeside Memorial Gardens in Angier.

Mr. Pope is survived by his wife, Margaret S. Pope; two daughters, Lois P. Wilbourne of Charles Town, W.Va., and Dina P. Coats of Coats; a son, J. Ronnie Pope of Wilmington; two sisters, Violene P. Stevens and Fernie E. Meadows, both of Coats; a brother, John R. Pope of Coats; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

### **Leddie Etta Byrd Holmes**

Unknown Newspaper

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Mrs. Leddie Etta Byrd Holmes, 74, died Thursday. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Coats United Methodist Church by the Rev. Jack Page. Burial will be in Dunn Devotional Gardens.

Surviving are her sons Fred A. Holmes of Greenwood, S.C., Stacy E. Holmes of Lynn, Mass., Benny L. Holmes of Chesapeake, Va., James D. Holmes of Raleigh and Jackie L Holmes of Coats; brothers Jessie Byrd of Coats and Victor Byrd of Benson; sisters Bettie Byrd of Coats, Lola Parker of Raleigh, Agnes Couch of Chester, S.C., and Mavis Johnson of Benson; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

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

### **Leonard Owen Allred**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
November 26, 1994

DUNN -- Leonard O. Allred, 75, died Thursday in his home. He was the "sad face" clown with the Dunn Shrine Club Clowns. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in Skinner Funeral Home by the Rev. Tom Freeman. Entombment with Masonic rites will be in Devotional Gardens.

Mr. Allred is survived by his wife, Myrtle S. Allred of the home; three sons, Ronald Allred and Ted Allred, both of Monroe, and Charles Allred of Broadway; three sisters, Betty O'Quinn of Lillington, Kathryn Holland of Sanford and Doris Edwards of Fayetteville; three grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home, and other times at the home of Selwyn and Betty O'Quinn in Lillington. Arrangements are by O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home of Lillington and Skinner Funeral Home of Dunn.

### **Mallie Benson Ellis Stevens**

Dunn Daily Record  
4/18/2005

Mallie Benson Ellis Stevens, 86, of South Third Street, Smithfield, died Friday evening at Johnston Memorial Hospital. She was born in Johnston County on Oct. 1, 1918, to the late Newitt and Edith Benson. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. today at Hickory Grove AC Church. Burial will follow at Hills of the Neuse Memory Gardens.

Survivors include her husband, Harold L. Stevens Sr.; a daughter, Jo Ann Barbour of Smithfield; sons, Dallas Ryals of Rockville, Md., and Charles Ellis of Burlington; stepsons, Harold L. Stevens Jr. of Princeton and Leon Stevens of Sanford; sisters, Ruth Parker of Four Oaks; and Ila Hudson of Benson; four grandchildren; six stepgrandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A service of Minshew Funeral Home.

### **Margaret Lee Benson Oliver Stevens Dixon**

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)  
September 19, 2005

SELMA -- Margaret Benson Dixon, 67, of Jerry Road died Friday. Born in Johnston County on August 13, 1938, she was the daughter of the late Gaston and Bonnie Hayes Benson. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday, September 19, 2005 in the chapel of Parrish Funeral Home in Selma, with Rev. Charles Pittman officiating. Interment will follow in Selma Memorial Gardens.

Surviving are: sons, Harold Stevens of Princeton, Leon Stevens of McGee's Crossroads; daughters, Jackie Oliver Narron and Bonnie Oliver, both of Selma; brothers, Durwood Benson of Smithfield, Bobby Benson of Pine Level, Duke Benson of Micro; sisters, JoAnn Hester and Vickie Edwards, both of Princeton, Brenda House of Micro; six grandchildren.

Margaret was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Benson, and a grandson, Vance Narron, Jr. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Sunday, September 18, 2005, from 7 until 9 p.m.

### **Myrtle Rebecca Stevens Allred**

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)  
September 9, 1997

Mrs. Myrtle S. Allred, 83, of Dunn died Monday. She was a member of Dunn Order of the Eastern Star. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel in Lillington by the Rev. Tom Freeman. Entombment will be in Devotional Gardens.

Mrs. Allred is survived by three sons, Charles Allred of Broadway, and Ted Allred and Ron Allred, both of Monroe; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and at other times at the home of Selwyn and Betty O'Quinn, Lillington.

### **Nora Minerva Byrd Jones**

News & Observer  
1/1988

Mrs. Nora Byrd Jones, 83, of 2530 Garner Road, died Monday. Funeral 1 p.m. Wednesday, Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Garner. Burial, Greenwood Cemetery, Dunn.

Surviving: husband, Otha K. Jones,; sons, O. Horace Jones of Fuquay-Varina, Lewis Jones of Winston-Salem, Bobby K. Jones of Raleigh, Sherrill B. Jones of Rural Hall; sisters, Miss Betty Ann Byrd and Mrs. Leddie B. Holmes, both of Coats, Mrs. Lola B. Parker of Raleigh, Mrs. Agnes B. Couch of Chester, S.C., Mrs. Mavis B. Johnson of Benson; brothers, Jessie Byrd and Hubert Byrd, both of Coats, Victor Byrd of Benson; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Family at funeral home, 7-9 p.m. today. Memorial contributions may be made to Hayes Chapel Christian Church, 315 E. Garner Road, Garner 17529.

### **Otha Graham Stevens**

Fayetteville Observer, The  
8/18/2004

O. Graham Stevens, 60, of Coats, died Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, in Charles Parrish Nursing Home in Dunn. Mr. Stevens worked for Tysons Foods. A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. today in the Williams family cemetery by the Rev. Tony Kapanski.

Mr. Stevens is survived by his wife, Linda Stevens; two sons, Jason G. Stevens of Louisburg and Christopher Seals of Rolesville; four sisters, Joyce Ennis of Coats, Peggy Weaver of Dunn, Sue Moyer of Fayetteville and Sherry Stevens of Coats; and three grandsons.

The family will receive friends today from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats.

### **Rosa Katherine Stevens Byrd**

Smithfield Herald  
Friday, August 19, 1955

Mrs. Rosa Katherine Byrd, 69, of Coats, widow of Ben E. Byrd and mother of Victor Byrd of Benson, died at 7:25 Monday night at the Good Hope Hospital in Erwin following declining health for about two years.

A funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Gift Primitive Baptist Church in Coats. Elder J. T. Lewis and Elder Jimmy Collins of Angier conducted the service. Interment was in the Coats Cemetery.

A native of Johnston County, Mrs. Byrd moved to Harnett County about 33 years ago. She was the daughter of Joe and Pity Johnson Stevens.

In addition to her son in Benson she is survived by three other sons, Newton and Jessie Byrd of Coats and Hubert Byrd of Route 1, Coats; six daughters, Mrs. Otha Jones of Raleigh, Mrs. John Holmes of Coats, Mrs. R. C. Thomas of Chester, S. C., Mrs. Linwood Johnson of Coats; two brothers, Junnie and Otha Stevens of Coats; 24 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.