

Alease Penny Parrish Barbour

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Mrs. Alease Parrish Barbour, 87, of 5838 Elevation Road died Thursday at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh. The family will receive friends at Elevation United Methodist Church from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday prior to the service and other times at the home of Diane and Jack Austin, 303 West Hatcher Street, Four Oaks. Funeral service will be 3:00 p.m. Saturday at Elevation United Methodist Church. Revs. Ron Gurganus and Bobby Tyson will officiate. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Surviving are daughter, Diane Austin and husband, Jack Austin, Jr. of Four Oaks; son, Gordon Neil Barbour of Greenville; grandchildren, Heather Austin-Norris of Four Oaks, Justin Barbour and Jessica Alford, both of Benson; and great-grandchildren, Austin Parker Norris, Dawson Barbour Norris, and Noel Alford.

Flowers are welcomed; however, memorials may be made to Elevation United Methodist Church, 5101 Elevation Road, Benson, NC 27504. Arrangements by Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Carlie Young Hargis

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

November 1, 1996

FUQUAY-VARINA -- Carlie Young Hargis, 67, of Route 2, Box 60-B died Thursday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by the Rev. Roland Byrd. Burial will be in St. Mary's Grove Baptist Church cemetery in Benson.

Mr. Hargis is survived by two daughters, Sharlon Johnson of Fuquay-Varina and Gail Smith of Coats; five grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

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

Elizabeth Thornton Britton

Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Notice

06/01/2007



Mrs. Elizabeth T. Britton, 96, of Dunn died Friday at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. She was born February 14, 1911 in Harnett County, daughter of the late Tyrus and Vara Lee Thornton. She was preceded in death by her husband, George H. Britton, Sr.

Mrs. Britton was a member of First Baptist Church of Dunn where she was a life time Deacon. She graduated from Meredith College and received her Master's Degree from UNC Chapel Hill. She was a chemistry teacher at Campbell University for 20 years. Mrs. Britton was also a member of the Daughter's of the American Revolution and the Thursday afternoon Book Club.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 AM Monday at First Baptist Church in Dunn with Dr. Len Keever officiating. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Britton is survived by a son, George "Harry" Britton and wife Irene of Overland Park, KS, a daughter, Anne B. Ammerman and husband Don of King George, VA, one sister, Vara Lee Thornton of Dunn, and two grandchildren, Clay Britton of Lafayette, IN and Wesley Ammerman of Raleigh.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the George H. Britton Scholarship Fund at Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC 27506 or to First Baptist Church for Global/International Missions, 309 W. Broad Street, Dunn, NC 28334.

The family will receive friends Sunday from 5:00 until 7:00 PM at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home and at other times will be at Mrs. Britton's home.

Ethel Nadine Barbour Thornton

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January 17, 2001

BENSON - Nadine B. Thornton age 92, of Dairy Rd., formerly of Benson, died Monday, January 15, 2001. Funeral service Wednesday, January 17 at 2 p.m. at West & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Aubrey Williamson officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Survivors, brother, David D. Barbour, Jr. of Benson; nieces, June Barbour of Clayton, Shirley Parrish and Beverly B. Allen, both of Benson, Betty Sue Thomas of Hendersonville; nephews,

Douglas Langdon of Benson and David Barbour, III of Coats; sister-in-law, Vara Barbour of Benson. She was preceded in death by her husband, Russell Thornton and son John David Thornton.

Flowers welcome, but memorials may be made to St. Mary's Grove F.W.B. Church 7987 Raleigh Rd. Benson, N.C. 27504. Visitation will be one hour before the service. Arrangements by West & Dunn Funeral Home, Benson, N.C.

Frank Washington Thornton, Jr.

Dunn Daily Record
08/30/2007

Frank W. Thornton Jr., 81, of 1196 Woodall Dairy Road, Benson, died Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2007. Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at West & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel in Benson. Burial will be at Burnell Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Geraldine L. Thornton; daughters, Charlotte T. Lee and Jennifer T. Johnson of Benson, and Deborah T. Cobb of Smithfield; son, Frankie Carl Thornton of Benson; brother, Billy Thornton of Jacksonville, Fla.; sister, Gladys Parrish of Benson; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends Friday from 6 to 8 at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Burnell Baptist Church, c/o JoAnn Johnson, 658 Camelia Road, Benson, NC 27504.

Georgia Ruth Parker Thornton

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
May 9, 2000

BENSON -- Ms. Ruth Parker Thornton, 78, of 4852 Elevation Road died Monday in Rex Hospital in Raleigh. Ms. Thornton was a member of Burnell Baptist Church. She was a homemaker. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Burnell Baptist Church in Four Oaks by the Revs. Keith Kimbell and Tony Futrell. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Ms. Thornton is survived by two daughters, Anne T. Johnson of Garner and Georgia T. Moore of Benson; three sons, Jerry E. Thornton of Smithfield, Paul E. Thornton Jr. of Newport News, Va., and Joseph E. Thornton of Benson; three brothers, Buddy Parker, Larry Parker and Young J. Parker, all of Four Oaks; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

Kenneth Dwight Thornton

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02/08/2007

Reverend Kenneth Dwight Thornton, Sr., 78, Retired Southern Baptist Minister, died Tuesday, February 6 at Johnston Memorial Hospital following complications of Alzheimer's disease. Mr. Thornton, known to many as "Preacher T," was born in Benson, NC, January 26, 1929. He graduated from Benson High School in 1948 and later served in the US Navy for five years during the Korean War. He felt the calling to the ministry during a successful career as a life insurance salesman. He graduated from Southeastern Theological Seminary and served various churches in Bladen, Johnston, and Sampson Counties. After retirement, he and his wife owned and operated "The Dwelling Place," a bed and breakfast in Four Oaks, NC.

Rev. Thornton was the son of the late Frank W. and Lettie Holmes Thornton. In addition to his parents, Mr. Thornton was preceded in death by his brother, Paul E. Thornton and sisters, Iris Denning, Mavis McQuigg, Patricia Walker Butler, Pearl North and Mabel Johnson.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Rebecca Mayes Thornton; sons, Kenneth Dwight Thornton, Jr. and wife, Cathy of Kelly, NC, Samuel Alan Thornton of Four Oaks, Jeffery Steven Thornton and wife, Rita of Four Oaks; daughter, Rebecca Brent "BeeBee" Thomas and husband, Don of Hillsborough; grandchildren, Ryan and Cindy of Kelly, NC, Brent and Wesley of Hillsborough, Caleb and Ann Bostic of Clinton, Joshua, Jason, and Jonathon of Four Oaks; step-great-grandson, Aaron of Kelly, NC; great-grandson, Tyler of Kelly, NC; brothers, Frank W. Thornton, Jr. and wife, Geraldine of Benson, Billy Thornton and wife, Patricia of Jacksonville, FL.; sister, Gladys Parrish of Benson; many nephews and nieces.

His family, friends, and colleagues will remember him for his love of his Saviour, his country, his family, his friends, his appreciation for the beauty of flowers and birds, his bean shooters and his whistling ability.

A visitation will be held on 7-9 p.m. Thursday, February 8, 2007 in the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church of Four Oaks, 403 North Main Street. The funeral will take place 2 p.m. Friday, February 9, 2007 at the First Baptist Church of Four Oaks, NC, 403 North Main Street.

Memorials can be made to the Alzheimer's Association or the Kenneth Dwight and Rebecca Mayes Thornton Endowment of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, 201 Convention Drive, Cary, NC 27511.

Mabel Thornton Johnson

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November 3, 2004

FOUR OAKS -- Mrs. Mabel "Bill" Thornton Johnson, 81, of 3442 Old School Road, Four Oaks, NC, went to be with Jesus Tuesday morning. She was born in Johnston County on October 3, 1923 to the late Frank and Lettie Thornton. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Burnell Baptist Church. Preceding her in death were brother, Paul Thornton; and sisters, Iris Denning, Patricia Butler, Mavis McQuigg and Lettie Pearl North.

Mabel is survived by her husband of 62 years, Nelson, of the home; son, Joseph Johnson and special friend, Geri Meacham, of Garner; daughters, Donna Sue Langdon and husband, Howard of Raleigh, and Betsy Fonke of Fayetteville; sister, Gladys Parrish of Benson; brothers, Kenneth Thornton of Four Oaks, Billy Thornton of Jacksonville, FL, and Frank Thornton, Jr. of Benson; grandchildren, Dana Marlowe and husband, Brandon of Whiteville, Chris and Anna Fonke of Sanford, Allison and Justin Summey of Laurinburg, Erich and Emily Fonke of Fayetteville; one great-grandson, Chase Marlowe. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive to cherish her memory.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at Burnell Baptist Church, 3720 Old School Road, Four Oaks, NC. Family will receive friends from 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. prior to and following the funeral service.

Contributions may be made to Burnell Baptist Church, c/o Ivey Johnson, 953 Garner Road, Four Oaks, NC 27524 or the Baptist Children's Home of NC, P.O. Box 338, Thomasville, NC 27361.

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints. -- Psalms 116:15.

Mahala Barefoot Fowler

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

October 1, 1995

DUNN -- Mrs. Mahala Barefoot Fowler, 86, of Route 3 died Friday. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in the Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Howard Balltzgier. Burial will be in Devotional Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Fowler is survived by two sons, Lloyd Fowler of Raleigh and Delma Fowler of Dunn; three sisters, Ellen Peacock of Dunn, Lessie Beasley of Raleigh and Ettie Tart of Benson; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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

Patsy Ellen Barefoot Peacock

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BENSON -- Mrs. Ellen Barefoot Peacock, 85, a resident of Meadowview Assisted Living Center in Smithfield and formerly of Benson, died Tuesday at Johnston Memorial Hospital in Smithfield. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday at Holly Grove Advent Christian Church. Officiating will be the Rev. Bobby L. Langston, Rev. Howard Balltzglier and Mr. Arvle Tart, nephew. Burial will follow in Banner Chapel church cemetery.

Mrs. Peacock was born March 23, 1916 in Horry County, South Carolina to the late Terah and Patsy Thornton Barefoot. Mrs. Peacock was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence P. Peacock, a son, Jerry C. Peacock and a great-granddaughter, Geri Michele Peacock. She was a homemaker and a member of Holly Grove Advent Christian Church.

Surviving: daughters and sons-in-law, Gail and Larry Barefoot of Garner, Patsy West of Clayton, Peggy and Larry Johnson of Dunn; son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Margaret Peacock of Garner; daughter-in-law and spouse, Becky and Vaden Holmes of Raleigh; 10 grandchildren, Michael Peacock, Robin Peacock, Angela Gahrman, Allen West, Gina Peacock-Byrd, Joseph West, Daniel West, Jason Peacock, Cameron Johnson and Chelsea Johnson; eight great-grandchildren, Alex Gahrman, Justin Gahrman, McKenzie Peacock, Lauren West, Sarah West, Ashley Peacock, Tyler Peacock, and Dixie Byrd.

Family will receive friends at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson 7-9 p.m. Thursday and other times at the home of Peggy and Larry Johnson, 1606 Lakeshore Dr., Dunn.