

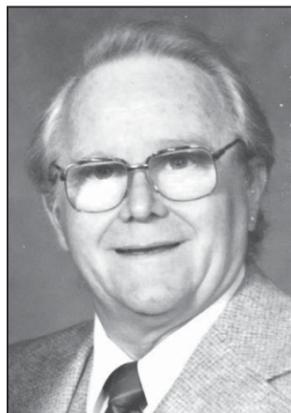
Obituaries

John Wesley (Wes) Hawks, Jr.
John Wesley (Wes) Hawks, Jr., 55, of Thomasville, passed away Monday, November 6, 2017, at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center.

Born October 23, 1962, in Guilford County, he was the son of Linda Parrish Styles of Burnsville, NC, and the late John Wesley Hawks, Sr.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his sister, Pamela White and husband William of Burnsville, niece, Brittany White; and special friend, Angie Simmons.

Wright Cremation and Funeral Service is in charge of arrangements. www.wrightcremationandfuneral.com.



Robert England
Robert Menzler England, of Burnsville, went to his new heavenly home November 3, 2017. He

was a native of Asheville born to the late Thomas Albert and Marguerite Amanda England. He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Mary England and brothers: Thomas and William. Robert (Bob) loved the Lord Jesus and prayed for his family continuously.

He loved his country. He was a Navy veteran and through training became the first generation of computer engineers. Working for Honeywell, he maintained and programmed the computers at our nation's most important facilities including the Pentagon, NSA, CIA, FBI, Quantico, NASA, and US Naval Academy. He always longed to return to his mountains and after retiring settled his family in Burnsville. He also sang with one of the most beautiful tenor voices some of us had ever had the pleasure of hearing.

He is dearly loved and survived by his wife, Mary Ann England, maiden name Mary Ann Thompson; daughters: Lisa Cohen and her husband, Robert, Kristina Sanders and her husband, Matthew, Linn Hise and her husband, Ralph. He is blessed with grandchildren: Anna Butler and her husband, Brian, Aaron Quisenberry, Haley Sanders, Luke Sanders, Thomas Hise and Deren Hise; great-grandchildren: Rachel Butler, Olivia Butler and another Butler is on the way.

The family will be receiving friends at the home of Ralph and Linn Hise, 44 Hemlock Ave., Spruce Pine, NC. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 18th at Green Hills Cemetery, 25 New Leicester Highway in Asheville. A celebration of life service will follow at 1 p.m. at the Nu-Wray Inn, 102 Town Square in Burnsville.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Pocket Testament League, PO Box 800, Lititz, PA 17654 or at www.ptl.org. To send online condolences, please visit our website at www.yancey-funeralservice.com.



Sandra Tipton Styles

Sandra Tipton Styles, 75, of Burnsville, passed away peacefully, Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at her home, after a long illness. A native of Yancey County, she was the daughter of the late Wayne and Edith Duncan Tipton. She was also preceded in death by her special grandmother Minnie 'Mom'. Sandra was a retired employee of Glen Raven Mills with 38 years of service. Before her illness, she attended West Burnsville Baptist Church.

Surviving are a son: Randy "Dorothy" Styles, of the home; a daughter: Deborah Grindstaff of Marion; 2 grandchildren: Jeremiah "Mer" Styles and wife Ashley and Alicia Grindstaff; 3 great grandchildren: Jaden Styles and Colin and Kyllie Ray, whom she loved as her own and was helping raise; 3 brothers; Earl "Chip" Tipton and wife Jo Ann, Tony Tipton and wife Barbara and Ricky Tipton and wife Julia, all of Burnsville; a special cousin: Susan Jones and husband Lloyd of Marion; several nieces and nephews and special friends: Mona Bennett and Linda Hopson.

Funeral services were held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the chapel of Holcomb Brothers Funeral Home, Rev. James Taylor officiated. A graveside service was held at 11 a.m. Friday in Pete Young Cemetery.

To view this obituary on line or send a condolence visit www.holcombefuneralservice.com



Chester Lee Phillips

Sergeant First Class Chester Lee Phillips (Retired US Army), age 78, of Hudson, passed away on Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 at Catawba Valley Medical Center. A native of Yancey County, he was a son of the late Carter and Millie Byrd Phillips. He is also preceded in death by nine siblings. Chester retired from the US Army after 21 years of service. He bravely served his country with the United States Army Special Forces, as a Green Beret, completing two tours in the Vietnam War. Chester was a recipient of the Purple Heart Medal, as well as several more medals and ribbons. He will be remembered as a proud Veteran who loved the Army and his country. Chester's hobbies included flowers, growing things and traveling.

Surviving is his sisters: Vola Stewart and Virginia "Ginny" Murrell both of Gibsonville and brother, Edward Phillips of Bakersville. Several sisters-in-law as well as numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Graveside services with Military Honors will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 15th in Salisbury National Cemetery. Rev. Donnie Phillips will officiate.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made to the Wounded Warrior Project at PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675. To send online condolences, please visit our website at www.yanceyfuneralservice.com.



D.C. Bennett

D.C. Bennett, age 88, of Buladean, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 at his home. A native of Mitchell County, he was a son of the late Dove and Beuna Vista Street Bennett. He was also preceded in death by brothers: J.B. and Ralph Bennett. D.C. was a US Army Veteran from 1951 until 1953 where he was stationed in Germany. He worked for 5 years for with the City Police Department in Johnson City, TN then went on to work as a Deputy for the Mitchell County Sheriff's Department. He enjoyed fishing, farming and loved to read.

Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife of 64 years, Evelyn Stanley Bennett; daughters: Rita Grindstaff and Tammy McKinney of Bakersville; granddaughter, Ramona Jarrett and husband, Tim, of Greensboro; grandsons: Derek McKinney of Bakersville and Jacob Grindstaff also of Bakersville; special sisters-in-law: Jean Stanley and husband, Earl, of Pennsylvania, Lola Morrles of South Carolina and Shirley Pittman and husband, Neil, of Spruce Pine and special brothers-in-law: Bill Stanley of Spruce Pine, Herman Stanley and wife, Georgia, and Gibbs Stanley and wife, Audrey, all of Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 9th in the Chapel of Yancey Funeral Services. Pastor G.B. Garland and Pastor David Byrd officiated. Graveside services were held at 9 a.m. on Friday in Mountain Home National Veterans Cemetery in Johnson City, TN.

The family would like to say a very special thank you to Shirley and Neil Pitman for all their kindness and help. Also a special thank you to all the nurses at Hospice and Palliative Care of the Blue Ridge for the wonderful care given to D.C. and request that donations be made to them at 236 Hospital Drive, Spruce Pine, NC 28777. To send online condolences, please visit our website at www.yanceyfuneralservice.com.



Kyler Glover

Glover wins 4-H award

Kyler Glover has won North Carolina 4-H Youth volunteer of West District 2017. Kyler Glover is an accomplished 4-Her who loves to help and encourage others. He has volunteered to coordinate civil-minded interviews and public service announcements on the radio. He helps raise awareness for foster care in Western North Carolina. He has been recognized for his exemplary 4-H volunteer work by the Yancey County Board of Commissioners. Kyler is now serving as the West District secretary-treasurer.

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CUSTOMER APPRECIATION... *Friday NOV 17th*

Free POOL & GAMES

RAD WANGZ HOTDOG JOINT TACO

1¢ Hot Dogs ALL-DAY

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Pastor David Gillespie

Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m.

Wednesday
Bible Study: 7 p.m.

828.675.9284 ffcn.org

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Worship Celebration and Youth Education 10:30am Sundays

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372 Reservoir Road (behind CVS) Burnsville
stthomasonline.org 828.682.0037

Mountain of Glory Ministries
"Heaven changing earth through His glorious church."
Spirit-Filled Praise and Worship

Sunday: 10:30AM
Wednesday: 6:00 PM

Men's Discipleship Class 1040 East US Hwy 19E 675-4191
Equipping the saints for the work of the ministry. Eph. 4:12

First Presbyterian Church

120 Church Street, Burnsville 682-4789

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Childcare Available
www.firstburnsville.org

All are welcome!

Messiah Of The Mountains Lutheran Church
19E Micaville 675-4291

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Interim - Phil Tonnesen

LOVING GOD Higgins United Methodist Church
LOVING PEOPLE WORSHIP 8:30 & 11:00 AM
SERVING JESUS

NURSERY PROVIDED DURING 8:30 SERVICE
CHILDREN'S CHURCH 8:30, KIDS' MESSAGE 11:00
SMALL GROUPS AT 10:00 AM
YOUTH IN DUNGEON 5:00 PM

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Congregations of The United Methodist Church
Pastor: Ken Anderson
Phone: 675-0071

You are invited to Worship At the location and time of choice

Worship Services
Martin's Chapel UMC @ 9:00am: Hwy 80 North at Stream Rd.
Celo UMC @ 10:00am: Hwy 80 South
Windom UMC @ 11:00am 19E-Bear Wallow Rd - Sleepy Hollow
Sunday School one hour prior to Worship

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
Summit Street, Burnsville
Rev. Fred Werth
Sundays 11:30 a.m.
2:00 p.m. Misa en Espanol
For information call St. Andrew's Rectory 689-3719
P.O. Box 1406, Mars Hill, NC

Jacks Creek Church
A small country church.
Pastor Joe Bennett
Located at the corner of Jacks Creek Road and Carl Fox Road

Sunday Morning Breakfast 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study Group 10:00 a.m.
EVERYONE WELCOME!
Phone: 828-678-5159

West Burnsville Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship Service 6:00p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.
TeamKid 6:00 p.m.
Special Studies 7:00 p.m.

Church Office 682-3990
222 West Burnsville Church Road

First Baptist Church
The members of

welcome you to Burnsville and Yancey County. We invite you to study and worship with us.
Sunday School 9:45 am
Worship 11:00 am

We are located on the Square
Pastor - Tommy James
Music - Jessica May
Youth & Children - Jeff Spargo
Phone: 682-2288

BURNSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST
110 Lincoln Park Rd., PO Box 336, Phone: 682-3330

Minister Jerry Senn
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Radio: "Have You Got A Minute?" WKYK 94
FREE BIBLE COURSE

Flue fires can be avoided

With colder temps upon us, many in Yancey County have already lit fires in wood stoves this winter.

But fire officials in Yancey County say that it is not too late for homeowners to make sure their flue is cleared before the really cold weather arrives, otherwise fire might instead be shooting up from the tops of the chimneys.

The No. 1 thing is get flues cleaned out once a year, as some flues can be packed with creosote.

While most of those calls received by area fire departments this time of year aren't actually burning the structure or even drive people out but officials say it's a good number when the weather gets cold. When people fire up fire departments usually get some calls.

Yancey fire departments have already been called to a number of chimney fires already, most caused by a buildup of creosote in the flue.

Creosote, caused by the discharge of chemicals from a wood-burning fire, can build up on the walls of a flue and if not

cleaned, can eventually restrict or block the smoke from naturally escaping the chimney and eventually can catch on fire.

Usually, the ones seen on fire go several winters without a clean. Chimneys and flues are designed to handle a lot of heat and smoke. Most of the time, you can go a solid winter and be fine. Two or three, you'll start to see a significant buildup of creosote.

Fire officials recommends a chimney sweep once a year. People can find several local companies that can provide services. The cleaning can provide extra benefits. Most companies will inspect the inside to see if it's cracked. When the flue gets a crack in it, then the burning creosote burns through it and into the walls.

A crack in the flue can lead to a chimney fire turning into a major structure fire. In the past a number of major structure fires started as chimney fires. Another recommendation is to make sure to use dry logs in a fire, as wet logs can lead to a lot more smoke and more creosote.

Mission Health honored

Mission Health's Personalized Medicine Program has been featured in US News and World Report 2018 Best Hospitals Guidebook. Recognized as "one of a handful of community hospital systems in the U.S. with a formal personalized medicine program including pharmacogenomics," Mission's Personalized Medicine Program was lauded for its work in pharmacogenomics, personalized medicine's most immediate benefit.

"This recognition is a testament to the dedication, experience, and expertise of the clinicians, scientists, and caregivers at Mission Health," said Ronald A. Paulus, MD, President, and CEO of Mission Health. "We

strive every day to provide safe, high quality, compassionate care to each patient, and we are constantly investing in our people, facilities, and technology to ensure that every family in western North Carolina can receive the best care possible for generations to come."

Personalized medicine uses a patient's genetic profile to make clinical decisions by predicting whether that patient will benefit from a particular medicine or suffer serious side effects.

Pharmacogenomics is the study of how variations in an individual's genes affect the body's response, not just to cancer drugs but also to other medications.