

G. R. Lauderdale, Church and Civic Leader Succumbs



George Russell Lauderdale, 71, longtime Winnsboro church and civic leader, died Friday, 12:30 p.m., at the Fairfield County Memorial Hospital, after a month's illness. He had been in declining health for some time but had continued his varied activities on a limited scale.

The son of the late George Russell Lauderdale and Sally Coleman Lauderdale, he was born in Winnsboro and had lived here his entire life. He was a merchant and a bank director. Mr. Lauderdale was a charter member and past president of the Winnsboro Rotary Club, an officer in the Mt. Zion Society, president of the Winnsboro Democratic Club for two decades, secretary-treasurer of the Bethel A.R.P. church Sabbath school for many years, clerk of the session and a ruling elder.

He was mayor of Winnsboro for eight consecutive years (1943-1951) and he served as a member of the town council for 12 years.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ona Catherine Wylie Lauderdale of the home; one son, George Russell Lauderdale, Jr., of Winnsboro; and one brother, the Rev. David T. Lauderdale of Lexington, Va.

Funeral services, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Frank L. Shannon, were held from the Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock and interment was in the A.R.P. cemetery.

Active pallbearers were David T. Lauderdale, Jr., Rev. W. C. Lauderdale, Fitz Dove, Jr., John C. Stewart, Dr. J. P. Allison, and Charles Gibson.

The honorary escort was composed of the officers of Bethel ARP Church and Dr. C. S. McCants, J. M. Lyles, Sr., J. Riley McMaster, J. C. McMaster, S. R. McMaster, Sr., H. G. Phillips, Sr., R. T. Haynes, U. G. DesPortes, G. F. Patton, R. H. Jennings, H. D. McMeekin, W. G. Ragsdale, W. M. Aiken, J. M. Hall, John M. Harden, Jr. Charlie Norman, Will Arneen, R. R. Macfie, A. E. Davis, J. W. Stephenson, and M. M. Stewart.

Rites for Mrs. H. E. Matthews Held, Lancaster

Mrs. Bettie Brown Matthews died Sunday evening in Gastonia, N. C., after several years of declining health. She had made her home in Gastonia since the death of her

Final Rites for Miss LeMaster at Ridgeway Church

Floride Peyre LeMaster, daughter of Floride Peyre Douglas LeMaster, formerly of Winnsboro, and John Nathan LeMaster, Jr., formerly of Ridgeway, died at her home on 310 Waccamaw Ave., Columbia, early Tuesday morning. She was born January 5, 1941.

Besides her parents, Miss LeMaster is survived by a great aunt, Mrs. Joseph M. Armstrong of Baltimore, Md.; an aunt, Mrs. John C. Buchanan, Jr., of Winnsboro; three uncles, Moultrie Dwight Douglas of Winnsboro, William Davis Douglas, Jr., of Abingdon, Pa., and David Dwight Douglas of New Milford, N. J., and eight first cousins.

Services were held Wednesday morning in the churchyard of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at Ridgeway, conducted by the Rev. Sidney Heath, assistant rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbia.

Pallbearers were Alex M. Sanders, Jr., David G. Ellison, III, Alex Vaughn, Jr., William L. Otis, Jr., John Bell, Jr., and John T. Heyward, Jr.

Rites to Be Held On Wednesday for J. W. Lewis, 74

James Wyatt Lewis, Sr., 74, died at the Fairfield County Memorial Hospital Tuesday, at 5:30 a.m., after several years of declining health. He was born in Williamsburg County on June 12, 1885, son of the late Elizabeth Weaver Lewis and James Robert Lewis. He was a retired inventor of textile machinery and was the founder of J. W. Lewis and Company of Spartanburg. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Winnsboro, a former member of Southside Baptist Church in Spartanburg and a member of Spartanburg Masonic Lodge No. 70, AFM.

Survivors include his widow Mrs. Annie B. Graham Lewis of the home; two daughters Mrs. Vara L. Joyner, Winnsboro and Mrs. Ina Mae Wolfe of Spartanburg; one son, James W. Lewis, Jr., of Spartanburg; six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Addie Smiley of Lake City; one half brother, Albert Kelly of Lake City.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock Wednesday from the First Baptist Church by Dr. R. E. Lattimore and Rev. Maxie Collins, Sr. Interment will follow at Oaklawn cemetery in Spartanburg.

Active pallbearers will be Marion S. Stevenson, J. L. Mattox, Hugh Thompson, Gary Brissie, R. L. Hamilton and Wilbur Stone.

Honorary pallbearers are: Dr. W. S. Lyles, Dr. J. B. Floyd, Jack Roland, W. D. Mitchell's Men's Bible Class, Ted M. Jolley's Men's Bible Class, members of Winnsboro Masonic Lodge No. 11 and M. M. Stewart, John C. Stewart, B. B. Meng, Sr., Henry N. Obear and Alton Hoy.

husband, Henry E. Matthews, in October, 1954.

Funeral services were conducted from the Caughman Funeral Home in Lancaster on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, and interment was beside her husband in the family plot.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. J. B. Garland, and two grandchildren of Gastonia, N. C., one sister, Mrs. Florence Fleming of Laurens, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Livingston, Fairfield Native, Dies in Columbia

Funeral services for Mrs. Mattie C. Withers Livingston were held Wednesday morning in the First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, conducted by the Rev. J. Sherrard Rice, D.D. Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery.

She made her home at 1915 College St., Columbia, and her husband, John F. Livingston, was the former president of the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens Railroad. He died in 1919.

Mrs. Livingston was born in Fairfield County, June 13, 1873, a daughter of the late Isaac Newton Withers and Martha Caldwell Withers. She had made her home in Columbia for the past seventy years. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and was a charter member of both the New Century Club and the Novel Club.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. L. A. Savage of Camden, and a son, Otis W. Livingston of Columbia; a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Withers Johnston of Atlanta, Ga.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Final Rites for Mrs. Macfie, 88, Held Here Friday

Mrs. Emelyn Roseborough Macfie, 88, died at her home on Garden Street, Winnsboro, Thursday afternoon (Jan. 29) at 3:15 o'clock, after two years of declining health. She was the widow of Wade Hampton Macfie, prominent Fairfield County planter, who died in June, 1930.

The daughter of James Lawrence Roseborough and Rebecca Brice Roseborough, Mrs. Macfie was born in New Hope, Fairfield County, on August 29, 1870. A member of Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, she was active in the religious and civic affairs of the town up until the time of her illness.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. David Aiken Crawford and Mrs. Thomas W. Ruff of Winnsboro and Mrs. Charles E. McLean of Charlotte; one son, Wade Hampton Macfie, Winnsboro; two sisters, Mrs. R. R. Macfie, Sr., of Winnsboro, and Mrs. Jennie Brice Seaver of Waynesville, N. C., and Winnsboro; three grandsons, T. W. Ruff, Jr., Wade Macfie, Jr., and David Macfie, all of Winnsboro.

Graveside services, conducted by the Rev. Frank L. Shannon, were held in the A. R. P. cemetery Friday afternoon at four o'clock. Active pallbearers were Henry E. Johnson, Spencer R. Elliott, McGregor Macfie, R. R. Macfie, Jr., Edward A. McMaster and J. Lunsford Brice.

Passing of a Fairfield Centenarian

Mr. Howe Lemmon has received a message concerning the death of Miss Janie Milling at Benton.

La. Miss Milling was the daughter of the late Dr. James Milling, who moved to Louisiana when Miss Milling was a young girl. On January 15, 1959 Miss Milling celebrated her 100th birthday.

(Dr. Milling, was the half-uncle of Mr. Lemmon.)

Final Rites Held Here Monday for C. W. Madden, 87

Campbell William Madden, 87, died Sunday afternoon at the Lakeside Rest Home in Lexington, where he had been a patient for about a month. He had been in declining health for some time.

The son of the late Dr. Thomas Barkley Madden (1826-1897) and Martha Brice Madden (1841-1878), he was born in Winnsboro and had lived here his entire life. His grandfather was Dr. Campbell Madden, who came to America from Ireland in 1820 and subsequently served as both a physician and a minister.

Mr. Madden, a retired merchant, had been associated with the old DesPortes Mercantile firm for three generations and for many years, up until one month ago, he made his home with Mr. and Mrs. U. G. DesPortes in Winnsboro.

He was a member of the Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include one brother, Thomas B. Madden, longtime Columbia postmaster; three nieces, Mrs. Earl Coward of Columbia, Miss Margaret Matthews and Miss Laura Matthews of Sumter.

In the absence of his pastor, the Rev. Frank L. Shannon, the Rev. Thomas Hudson, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, conducted graveside services Monday afternoon from the A. R. P. cemetery in Winnsboro. Active pallbearers were U. G. DesPortes, Jr., Robert A. DesPortes, Fay Allen DesPortes, Charles P. Cuthbert, Norwood Obear, Billy McDonald, Johnston Patrick and David Patrick. The honorary escort was composed of elders and deacons of the A. R. P. Church.

Funeral of Mrs. W. D. Mitchell Held on Saturday

Mrs. Louise Rickenbaker Mitchell, 54, wife of Fairfield County Superintendent of Education William Dewey Mitchell, Sr., died at Fairfield County Memorial Hospital at 8:55 p.m. Thursday after five months illness.

Born at Cameron in Calhoun County, Mrs. Mitchell was the daughter of Mrs. Maybelle Dantzer Rickenbaker and the late Walter Geddings Rickenbaker. She was a member of the Winnsboro First Baptist Church. She was a past matron of the Eastern Star, New Prospect Lodge at Inman.

Survivors, in addition to her husband and mother, include a daughter, Mary Louise Mitchell of Winthrop College; two sons, William Dewey, Jr., of Beaufort and Robert Walter Mitchell of Spartanburg; one granddaughter, and three brothers, W. G. Rickenbaker, Jr., and Whitfield D. Rickenbaker of Cameron and Carroll Rickenbaker of Holly Hill.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 o'clock Saturday morning from the First Baptist Church by Dr. Ralph E. Lattimore, Dr. Archie Ellis, Rev. James W. Crocker and the Rev. W. H. Chandler. Interment was in the Winnsboro city cemetery.

Active pallbearers were deacons of the First Baptist Church.

J. W. Milling Dies Suddenly; Rites Tuesday

Joseph Wearing Milling, Sr., 77, died suddenly about 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon while attending the sesqui-centennial anniversary of Sion Presbyterian Church. He had been in declining health for some years but had continued his business, civic and church activities in his usual cheerful and quiet manner. Mr. Milling was a senior elder in Sion Church and took an active part in its affairs.

He was born in Shreveport, La., the son of the late Martin Y. Milling and Mrs. Margaret Yarborough Milling, but moved to Fairfield when quite a young boy and had spent virtually his entire life here. He was a retired assistant manager of Ketchin Mercantile Company of Winnsboro but since his retirement, several years ago, had continued limited business activities with this and other local firms.

Mr. Milling is survived by his widow, Mrs. Susie Clowney Milling, of the home; one daughter, Mrs. W. C. (Helen) Smoak of Columbia; one son, Joseph W. Milling, postmaster and farmer of Ridgeway and a former army captain who saw overseas duty in World War II; one sister, Mrs. T. E. Daniel of Columbia. Five grandchildren also survive him.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning from Sion Presbyterian Church by the pastor, the Rev. Robert E. Smith, and interment was in the Salem Presbyterian Church cemetery, near Salem Crossroads.

Serving as active pallbearers were six nephews: Bennie Clowney, Samuel Shirer, John Marion Shirer, Robert Y. Bolick, John S. Bolick and Billy Clowney.

The honorary escort was composed of the elders and deacons of Sion Church and the following: H. L. Elliott, T. M. Center, C. F. Elliott, J. B. Frazier, III, W. M. Aiken, Amos Wylie, G. M. Ladd, Sr., D. B. McKay, R. H. Lemmon, Howard Coleman, H. E. Johnson, E. B. Lewis, Will Ameen, Charlie Norman, Frank Norman, Mose Norman, William Stevenson, Clyde Hinant, Hayne D. McMeekin, Mark H. Doty, Dr. J. B. Floyd, G. M. Ketchin, Charlie Bolick, W. M. Mackey, and William R. Elliott.

"There is sorrow in his passing. There was never a moment of it in his living."

Sister of Mrs. R. E. Shannon Dies, California

Miss Emily Elizabeth Mills, formerly of Chester died Monday, March 20, in San Diego, Calif.

Miss Mills was born in Louisville, Ga., daughter of the late Rev. J. Spencer Mills and Alberta Little Mills. She was graduated from Erskine College in the class of 1906.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. R. E. Shannon and Mrs. Eugene Mobley, of Blackstock, and Mrs. C. D. Knapp of Toledo, Ohio; two brothers, J. Spencer Mills of Ontario, Calif., and Admiral Ralph E. Mills of Charlotte, N. C.

well A. R. P. Cemetery near Chester.