

## Final Rites Held On Wednesday for Charles Smith, Sr.

Funeral services for Charles (Charlie) Smith, Sr., 70, retired farmer of Ridgeway was held at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from Pineview Baptist Church near Ridgeway, conducted by the Rev. Earl Mosley, assisted by the Rev. Raymond Morris. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Smith died Monday in the Baptist Hospital in Columbia after a long illness.

He was a member of Pineview Baptist Church.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Delphine Martha Smith; three sons, Jones and C. D. Smith, both of Ridgeway, and Charles Smith, Jr., of Columbia; five daughters, Mrs. Sam Mattox of Ridgeway, Mrs. P. K. White, Mrs. Don Daniels and Mrs. Willie Creech, all of Columbia, and Mrs. Josephine Cox of Winnsboro; a sister, Mrs. Jam Marthers of Ridgeway; and two brothers, John Smith of Rock Hill and Talley Smith of Winnsboro; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were Bitty Mosley, V. A. Mosley, Jr., Hubert Fail, William T. Fail, Danny Gunter, and Clarence Boney.

Honorary pallbearers were James Edmunds, Dr. John Buchanan, W. R. Goodson, L. A. Gunter, Ed Tidwell, Ellis Perry, Billy Kennedy, Sr., W. E. Hood, P. A. Daniels, Sr., Gary Bass, Arthur Heins and the deacons of Pineview Baptist Church.

## Mrs. M. Sox, 83, Dies at Hospital

Mrs. Margaret Rebecca Kelly Sox, 83, of Winnsboro, formerly of Columbia, died Tuesday afternoon at the Fairfield Memorial Hospital after a 15-day illness.

She was the widow of Benjamin Sox.

Mrs. Sox was a native of Lower Richland County and was the daughter of the late Asia DeLoache Kelly and Emma Kelly. She was a member of the Arsenal Hill Presbyterian Church in Columbia.

She moved to Winnsboro four years ago to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest E. Davis.

Survivors in addition to Mrs. Davis, include two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Walker of Columbia and Mrs. Emma Burke of Winnsboro; one brother, Charlie Kelly of Eastover, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete last night. The body is at the Dunbar Funeral Home.

## Stewart Funeral Held, Columbia

Funeral services were held Monday morning in Shelbyville, Tenn. for William Stewart, formerly of Columbia and Winnsboro. Additional services were held on Wednesday afternoon in Columbia at 1 o'clock in Paschal Funeral Home, conducted by the Rev. Claude McIntosh. Interment was in Elmwood.

Mr. Stewart died at noon Saturday in Shelbyville. He was born in County Antrim, Ireland, and was a cotton grader for the United States Rubber Co. for about 40 years.

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## C. A. Sims, 74, Dies Wednesday

Claude Alexander Sims, 74, a Sunday school superintendent for 40 years, died at 11 a.m. Wednesday at his home on 228 Golf Course Road, Winnsboro. He had been ill for the past 2½ years after suffering a stroke in June of 1956.

The son of Adolphus and Lucy Hood Sims, he was born in Centerville Oct. 30, 1885. He was overseer of the weaving and winding departments, Winnsboro Mills, for approximately 20 years and a retired merchant. He was a member of Winnsboro Masonic Lodge No. 11, of the Woodmen of the World, and was the last surviving charter member of Stephen Greene Baptist Church.

Mr. Sims served as superintendent of his Sunday school for 40 years and he was chairman of the Board of Deacons up until the time of his illness. He was a charter member of the Fairfield County Hospital Board and a licensed minister.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ada A. A. Wingard Sims; one daughter, Miss Lucy Irene Sims of the home; four sons, Theodore A. Sims of Williston, Charles A. Sims, Thurman C. Sims and Edgar C. Sims, of Winnsboro; two half-sisters, Mrs. John McDonald of Winnsboro and Mrs. Charles Finley of Cayce; his stepmother, Mrs. Will R. Newman of Columbia. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at four o'clock from the Stephen Greene Baptist Church by the Rev. William P. Clyde of Allendale, former pastor, assisted by the Rev. T. L. Ulmer of Columbia. Interment will be in the Winnsboro Mills cemetery.

Active pallbearers are William A. Sims, Bobbie Sims, Robert Sims, Mac Sims, Ray Moon and Edward Smith. The honorary escort will be composed of deacons of Stephen Greene Church and Ernest Walker, Dr. J. B. Floyd, J. D. Mincey, Press Wilson and T. M. Thigpen.

## B. Starnes, 52, Dies at Hospital

Boyce Starnes, 52, of 370 Holly Street, Winnsboro, died at the Fairfield County Memorial Hospital at 2 o'clock Monday morning.

He had been in declining health for several years. He was born in Lancaster County.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Neeley Starnes of Charlotte; his widow, Mrs. Ruth Starnes of Winnsboro; two daughters, Mrs. Freda Thompson of Charlotte and Mrs. Alice Blackwood of Winnsboro; one sister, Mrs. S. H. Duncan of Winnsboro.

Funeral services were conducted at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the Stephen Greene Baptist Church by the Rev. James P. Blackwelder. Interment was in the city cemetery in Winnsboro.

Active pallbearers were Blease McLendon, Odell Ellenburg, W. C. Berry, Clyde Rabon, J. D. Smith, Jim Bumgardner.

Honorary pallbearers were Bob Smith, Clint Smith, Hyte Herring, Albert Watts, Bud Walker, Dr. J. B. Floyd, Dr. J. Dorman Turner and Gary Bass.

## Military Rites For Sharpe Will Be Held Thursday

Funeral services for Seaman Marion Leon Sharpe, 33, will be conducted here Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Elder O. Harold Joyner will officiate, and interment will be in the Winnsboro Mills cemetery.

A full military service is to be conducted at the graveside by personnel from the Sixth Naval District, Fort Jackson. Serving as active pallbearers will be J. C. Smith, A. F. Robinson, Ernest Walker, Harold Spigner, N. B. Branham, Jr., and Christopher Wilson.

Sharpe, an electronics technician, died Saturday as a result of a restaurant fire in Lexington Park, Md. He was stationed at the nearby Patuxent Naval Air Base. The son of Langford C. Sharpe and Mrs. Katie Branham Sharpe of Winnsboro, he had served in the United States Navy for 13 years and was an electronics technician, first class. He had been at Patuxent for three years. He attended the Church of Latter Day Saints, was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and he was graduated from Greenbrier High School in 1942.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Sybil W. Watts and Miss Joy Diane Sharpe, both of Winnsboro, and Mrs. Millie S. Brown of Columbia; one brother, Stanley C. Sharpe, Technical Sergeant of the U. S. Marine Corps, Albany, Ga.

## Fairfield Native, Miss Agnes Sloan, Dies in Columbia

Funeral services for Miss Agnes Jane Sloan were held Friday afternoon in the Centennial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Columbia. The Rev. Roy Beckham and the Rev. Carl Honeycutt, D. D., officiated and interment was in the Old Brick Church Cemetery in Fairfield County.

Miss Sloan a retired secretary, died Thursday in a Columbia rest home.

She was born in Fairfield County, a daughter of the late Margaret Jane Robinson and James Ross Sloan. She had made her home in Columbia for 55 years and was for many years associated with the South Carolina State Board of Health.

After leaving the State Board of Health she was employed as secretary with the Palmetto State Life Insurance Co., until her retirement in 1953.

Miss Sloan was a devoted member of the Centennial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, a member of the Knox Bible Class and the Business Women's Circle of the Church.

Survivors include a sister, Miss Mary Elizabeth Sloan of Columbia, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Active pallbearers were Thomas Crenshaw, W. V. Sutherland, John B. Patrick, L. Dwight Grimsley, C. R. Amick and W. L. Ruff.

## Final Rites Held Sunday for Lester B. Robinson, 51

Lester Blair Robinson, 51, died at his home in the Greenbrier section of Fairfield County about 11:30 Friday morning, following a heart attack suffered earlier in the day. He was the son of George Ulric Robinson, and the late Sallie Bertha Blair Robinson.

Mr. Robinson, at the time of his death, was supervisor of the Winnsboro Mills Supply Room, and had been a U. S. Rubber Company employee for 28 years. He was a member of the Greenbrier Methodist Church, of the Men's Bible class, of the athletic association, and was a member of the Winnsboro Masonic Lodge No. 11, A.F.M.

Surviving, besides his father, are his wife, Mrs. Margie Perry Robinson, two sons, George Davis Robinson, freshman at the University of South Carolina, and Marion Burgess Robinson of the home; two brothers, Henry Davis Robinson of Columbia and Andrew Francis Robinson of Winnsboro.

Funeral services were conducted from the Greenbrier Methodist Church at 10 o'clock Sunday morning by his pastor, the Reverend W. Harry Chandler, assisted by a former pastor, Reverend H. Lester Kingman, of Orangeburg. Interment was in the family plot in the church cemetery.

The active pallbearers were Herman Price, Aubrey Mitchell, Lunce B. Lewis, William Estes, Gene Stewart, Jr., and Frank Lewis.

## Father of L. W. Rutland Dies in Baptist Hospital

Funeral services for Lawrence Willie Rutland were held Thursday morning (Jan. 8) at 11 o'clock in Thompson Funeral Home, Columbia, conducted by the Rev. P. D. Montgomery and the Rev. Paul Bolen of Orangeburg County and the Rev. W. J. Smoak. Interment was in the Gibson Cemetery.

Mr. Rutland, 79, retired farmer of 1500 Duke St., West Columbia, died Tuesday afternoon in the Baptist Hospital. He was the father of L. W. Rutland, manager of the Winn-Dixie Store in Winnsboro.

Formerly of Orangeburg County, Mr. Rutland had lived in West Columbia for five years.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Annie Williamson Rutland of West Columbia; seven daughters, Mrs. Viola Goff of Leesville, Mrs. Clifton Kirkland of Wagener, Mrs. Henry Barton of Aiken, Mrs. Johnny Taylor of West Columbia, Mrs. Maxine Moseley of Columbia, Mrs. Clifton Widener of Cayce, and Mrs. Richard Hulon of Columbia; four sons, Carlton Rutland of California, Grover Rutland of Swansea, L. W. (Dick) Rutland of Winnsboro, and Lawrence Rutland, Jr., of West Columbia; a sister, Mrs. George Mallette of Philadelphia, Pa.; 26 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

## Mr. Robertson, 90, Fairfield Native, Dies in Arkansas

Word was received in Winnsboro last Wednesday morning by Miss Frances Robertson of the death of John Newton Robertson, age 90, at his home on Gabbert Street in Monticello, Arkansas, after a number of years of declining health and ten days of critical illness.

Mr. Robertson was born in the Jackson Creek Community of Fairfield County on June 20, 1869, the son of the late John A. Robertson and Hattie Elizabeth Yarborough Robertson.

After the death of his mother in 1878, Mr. Robertson as a young boy moved to Arkansas with his father. He was a prominent farmer of Drew County, Arkansas, until his health forced him to retire a number of years ago.

Mr. Robertson was married to the former Vanetta Hall of Drew County, Arkansas, on January 23, 1895. They celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary last January. He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. Thompson W. Walker, Sr., of Monticello and Mrs. James P. Brown of Hugo, Oklahoma; two grandchildren, Thompson W. Walker, Jr., of Monticello and Mrs. Bert Honey of Pine Bluff, Arkansas; two great grandchildren, Charles Walker and Lou Walker of Monticello; a number of nieces and nephews and numerous cousins in Fairfield County.

Funeral services were conducted from the Monticello Presbyterian Church on Thursday afternoon by his pastor. He had served as a deacon of this church for many years and was an Elder at the time of his death. Interment was in the family plot in the Monticello Cemetery.

Despite the many years since he had lived in Fairfield County, Mr. Robertson loved to talk about Fairfield County and people he had known here. As recently as three months ago, he talked at length and asked questions about Fairfield County when one of his cousins from Fairfield County visited him. He even asked if the Old Town Clock was still standing in Winnsboro. Nothing brought greater joy to Mr. Robertson than to hear from his Fairfield kin or a visit from any of them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Timms, Mr. Charles S. Timms and Miss Frances Robertson have been visitors in his home several times during the past years.

## Final Rites Are Held Sunday for R. W. Rutland, 66

Funeral services for Rafe Warren ("Dock") Rutland, 66, who died at his home in Rion at 9 p.m. Friday, were held on Sunday afternoon from the Pope Funeral Home by Dr. A. F. Ragan. Burial was in the Greenbrier Methodist Church cemetery.

Mr. Rutland was born at Rion, son of the late William F. and Annie Creighton Rutland and was a disabled World War I veteran.

Surviving are four brothers, James W. and John Rutland of Rion, William F. Rutland of Washington, D. C. and Marion Rutland of Columbia. A number of nieces and nephews, also survive.