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# THE DEDMON

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## MORE WAYS TO SPELL D-E-A-D-M-A-N

I discussed in the last issue (Volume 119) the various ways our surname is spelled. Very soon after beginning the family research project, I realized our surname had several variations. I had already discovered through one of those genealogy books that the origin was considered a place name and a corruption of the spelling of the city, Debenham a village in Suffolk, England. From there, I began to find Deadman, Deadmon, Deadmond, Dedmond, Dedman, Dedmond along with Dedmon as different ways to spell our surname and that kinship can be shown between all of these variations. It is not unusual to find brothers and fathers who spell it differently. As if that was not enough, while surfing the internet this week, I stumbled across other spellings such as Dudman, Dadman, Dittman and Dodman who appear to be family members. Welcome to the family folks!!!!

I found the father of William Dedman to be David Dittman. So I did some research and discovered the Dittman surname is seen recorded as Detman, Dedman, Deadman, and Debtman; when spelled "Dittman" it is still pronounced as "Detman" by some families. In 1773 the ship "Crawford" crossed from Rotterdam, via Cowes, to Philadelphia. Ninety men took the oath of allegiance, including Johann Heinrich Dittman. In 1783, Henry Deadman is recorded on tax lists of Mt. Pleasant, Bedford County, PA (present day Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland County, PA). Regarding the name spelling: "In Westmoreland records, the name is found as Henry Detman, Ditman, or Dedman. His grandson Adam is seen as Adam Debtman in the probate of his wife's parents' estate." There is record of the adoption of Henry's two younger children, David and Mary, in 1815; but youngest child Magthdalena is not mentioned in this record. (The author speculates that perhaps the War of 1812 figured in this implied misfortune, but indicates there is no record of Henry Dittman's participation in that war.) A land record exists for John Henrich Ditman, Westmoreland County, 11 Oct. 1813.

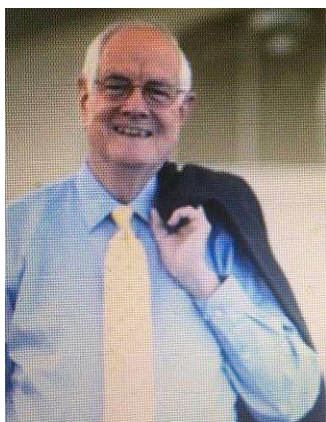
There will be some disagreement as to how of the surnames were spelled. I have found the same person with two or three different spellings. In fact I have found my own close family (Uncles, Grandfather, etc.) with several different spellings. I have tried to use the spelling as it was listed with the death or cemetery records.



**My 2** I personally think a lot of these spellings (misspellings) are the result of folk like myself, who accept something as fact, when it is probably fiction. We tend to take someone's word, when in fact it has not been proven. We are all human and subject to error. I appreciate so much those who take the time to contact me with corrections or asking how I arrived at a certain conclusion. It should never be taken as criticism for the good work done by so many. It is easy to copy it wrong. It also helps to collaborate with others. With all the William, James, Thomas, Phillip, Samuel, given names it is easy to err.

There are times when we have to apply common sense to the equation. Recently I found an entry on FindAGrave.com where a woman's birth year was listed as 1891 and even had a picture of the tombstone. She had a son listed with birth year 1906. While that is possible, it threw up a red flag, so I enlarged the picture of the tombstone and the birth year was more readable and showed 1881. I also, have found where a son or daughter was accidentally listed as the spouse and duplicated many times. I don't mean to sound critical of anyone as I too, have made many errors in the research. So I guess what I am trying to say is not to take it personally if you are contacted with a disagreement. Look at it carefully and consider the other person's information. After all, we are striving for the same thing, lets work together. -Leroy

## HALF CENTURY OF SERVICE



For Northside Baptist Church pastor Dale Steele, serving in the ministry has been a blessing for the past 50 years. Steele, 80, first came to Burlington in 1969 when he was hired as pastor at First Baptist Church. He left in 1991 to accept another pastorate at Penelope Baptist Church in Hickory. Through the years, Steele has held ministerial positions at churches in Winston-Salem, King, Zebulon, High Point, Salisbury, Reidsville and Greensboro. By his own reckoning, Steele has officiated at 628 funerals and 278 weddings. He stopped counting the number of baptisms at 600. And during that time he's learned many lessons working in the ministry, one of which is "No two churches are alike, and no two people are alike." On Wednesday, Steele will mark the 50th anniversary of his ordination, which was conducted at Poplar Spring Baptist Church in Zebulon.

Steele is a native of Charlotte who was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1954. During basic training, Steele got pneumonia and had to be hospitalized at Fort Jackson, S.C. After his recovery, he completed basic training. One of his jobs in the Army was to buff the floors, and later he was assigned to work as a clerk-typist in personnel officers' records. Steele served in the U.S. Army until 1956. "I enjoyed meeting people from all over the world," he said.

Steele used his G.I. Bill money to attend Wake Forest College, where he earned a bachelor of arts in speech in 1960. He later earned a bachelor of divinity, master of theology and doctor of ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest.

Steele met his future wife, **Doris Dedmon** of Shelby, in 1956 while in Winston-Salem. They were married in August 1958. While at Poplar Spring Baptist Church, they lived off \$225 a month raising two children.



Steele moved back to Burlington in 1998 when given the opportunity. "We love living here, and we love the people here," Steele said.

Before entering the ministry, Steele said, he honed his communication skills working as a radio staff announcer at WSOC in Charlotte from 1951 to 1954, and as a television staff announcer from 1956 to 1960 at WSJS-TV (now WXII), in Winston-Salem. Steele also worked as a sales representative for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals from 1960 to 1962.

Steele's family includes wife Doris Dedmon Steele, daughters Karen Steele Havey of Raleigh and Carol Steele Stephens of Charlotte, grandsons Joseph Dedmon Havey of Raleigh and Henry William Havey of Raleigh, and granddaughter Katherine Carol Havey of Raleigh.

Doris Ann Dedmon Steele, is the second of seven children born to the late A.V. Dedmon and Lizzie Lee Kendrick Dedmon. Her great-grandfathers, Thomas Lawson Kendrick and Hezekiah Dedmon served in the War Between the States. "Miss Lily Allison" who worked for the family was with Doris's mother when Doris was born. A.V. went to get Dr. Ben Gold, and when he returned, Miss Lily met him at the door saying, "...there's no need to rush for the doctor cause She's done here!" Dr. Ben came on to the house to be sure that Doris and Mother were okay. Doris, like her mom, always enjoyed having fun with friends, She and Beth Wilson would go horse and buggy riding every Sunday afternoon, making sure to be back and ready to go to Baptist Training Union at Elizabeth Church. They would pick up neighbor children until the 1938 Dodge was filled. At age 15, Doris would drive the Oliver tractor to town, park at A.V.'s trucking office, walk up town, then drive the tractor back home. (No licenses required.) Later, at Shelby High, Doris drove the school bus, probably the first female driver for the city schools. It was during that time that she also drove a truck for her Dad as she and brothers Charles and Joe hauled freight around town. Doris graduated from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, TN in 1956 and began her teaching career that fall in the Winston-Salem City School. While attending First Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, Doris met her future husband, Dale O. Steele. He was a native of Charlotte, and a student at Wake Forest College. They were married at Elizabeth Baptist Church on August 2, 1958.

*Some of the above information was taken from an article on Brenda Bridges, Cousins Website that Doris wrote. I edited it to fit available space. (LD)*

# Congratulations to A.V. Dedmon Trucking

# 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



A.V. Dedmon Trucking, Inc. celebrates 75 years in business.

We thank all of our former and current employees and customers for their loyalty and service throughout the years.

Charles E. Dedmon, President  
Lora D. Dedmon, Vice-President

In 1941, brothers, A.V. and Wray Dedmon purchased a transfer company. The purchase consisted of a 1932 B Model Ford Truck, 1936 V-8 Ford Truck, a gas tank, desk, crowbar, hook & skid and a rope and tackle.



**1932 B MODEL FORD TRUCK**



**1936 V-8 FORD TRUCK**

Later A.V. bought out his brother Wray and A.V. Trucking, Inc. was founded. The business was located on South Morgan Street near the Southern Railroad in Shelby, NC. Much of the work was hauling freight from boxcars to local businesses, including paper to the Shelby Daily Star office, flour to Bost and Waldensian Bakeries and frieght to most of the merchants in Shelby.



In 1946, the business expanded to include a daily run to Charolette. Later routes opened up to Kingsport, TN, Chicago, IL, and points beyond. In 1952, A.V. Dedmon Trucking, Inc. became an agent for Wheaton Van Lines, making them one of the oldest agents. From the small beginnings in 1941, A.V. Dedmon Trucking, Inc., has grown to provide household moving worldwide through our partnership with Wheaton Van Lines.

In 1965, the company moved into a newly built office and terminal on highway 150. By this time his sons, Charles and Joe had joined their father in the business.



**Joe and Charles**

A.V. Dedmon served as President of the company until his death in 1967. His son, Charles then became President and his son, Joe became Vice-President. A.V.'s widow, Lizzie Lee served as the Secretary-Treasurer until her death in 2002 at age 98.



**A.V. Dedmon, Founder**



**Lizzie Lee**



**Joe Dedmon**

Joe Dedmon served as Vice-President until his retirement in 2000.

In 1983, Don Ledbetter became Vice-President of Operations and served in this capacity until his retirement in 1999. Don Ledbetter worked for the company from 1966-1999.

In 1983 a law was passed allowing double trailers on interstate highways. Charles and Joe Dedmon were the first in North Carolina to use double trailers. So quick, in fact, that they were detained at the weigh station in Charolette until DOT in Raleigh could be reached to approve their passage.



**Charles Dedmon**

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After ICC Deregulation in 1984, the business expanded its operations into the Southeast and to the West Coast. Wayne Howell and Gus Catlin ran the first trip to California.

During the early 80's through the early 2000's, A.V. Trucking, Inc. hauled new furniture to points throughout the country forming strong bonds with Drexel Heritage, Broyhill, and Bernhardt Furnishings.

In 2000, Lora Dedmon joined her father, Charles in the business and serves as Vice-President. She is pictured below with her three sisters: Lynda, Lenita, and Lisa.



**The Dedmon girls: Lynda, Lenita, Lora and Lisa.**

It is estimated that over the past 75 years A.V. Dedmon Trucking, Inc. has employed over 500 drivers. Several of them were/are with the company over 25 years.



J.B. Newton was a driver for A.V. Dedmon Trucking for 42 years and logged more than 2 million safe driving miles prior to his death in 2016. Others with

twenty years or more include: Johnny Hosch (35), Joe Dedmon (35), Don Ledbetter (33), Louise Jolly (28), Don Phillips (23), Robert Davis and of course, Lizzie Lee and Charles, who has been President, almost 50 years.

Safety has always been a top priority of this company and in addition to J.B. Newton, several other, past and current, drivers have received safe driving awards through the years, including:

Robert Davis, Terry Smith, George Edwards, Jerry Cooper, Michael Arwood, and James Radica.



**Johnny Hosch & Benny Woods**

**Memories are Made of This**



**Testimonials**

*A.V. Dedmon has been a valued part of Wheaton Van Lines network since 1952 - more than 64 of its 75 years in business. We're grateful and thrilled that they've called Wheaton home for so many years and we're happy to continue to have Dedmon on the team that serves and focuses on our customers.*

**Mark Kirschner**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Wheaton Van Lines, Inc.**

*What a privilege to work with a carrier like A.V. Dedmon. Their office staff and drivers are kind and courteous. Their trucks are always on time and normally early. Congratulations on 75 years of excellence. Thank you A.V. Dedmon for all your years of dedication and excellence. A job well done, wishing for you many more years in business.*

*Yours always,*  
**Sylvia Propst**  
**Heritage Home Group**  
**Logistic Coordinator-Drexel & Henredon**

**A.V. Dedmon Trucking, Inc. is proud of its local roots and continues to be honored to serve the people of Cleveland County.**

## “LIZZIE DEDMON WORKED HARD IN ALL SHE DID”

Luann Laubscher Star Staff Writer SHELBY, NC

Lizzie Lee Kendrick Dedmon believed in hard work and little foolishness. "Staying busy was important to her," said Mrs. Dedmon's son, Roy. "She did not put up with much foolishness." Staying active may have contributed to her long, successful life. Mrs. Dedmon died in April, 2002. She was 98. Her work ethic most likely came from her parents, the late Lawson Irvin and Ponola Camp Kendrick. They were farmers, and Mrs. Dedmon was the 10th of 11 children. She taught school at Pleasant Hill School — a one-room school. She also taught at County Line School. Mrs. Dedmon also attended Lenoir Rhyne College and taught school at Grover. The couple built a house on Cherryville Road that still stands today across from Spakes Strawberries. The Dedmon's raised their seven children in that house. "She was a hard worker," Roy Dedmon said. "She worked in the garden, she canned, and she loved to cook. She would plant and pick vegetables. We had a mule and I would lay the rows and she would drop the seeds. She worked the garden from dropping the seeds to picking the vegetables. It is amazing the work she did." Roy Dedmon said he could remember times when he was still living at home that his mother would have him kill a chicken on Saturday evening so she could cook it for Sunday dinner.

In between raising her family, teaching Sunday school at Elizabeth Baptist Church, working the garden, canning and cooking, and helping out at Dedmon Trucking, Mrs. Dedmon also sold Stanley Home Products. She was even an extra in a couple of Earl Ownesby's movies, according to Roy Dedmon. And she loved having house guests, playing hostess once to Frances Bavier — "Aunt Bea" of Mayberry. Her son said that Ms. Bavier had accepted an invitation in 1974 to speak at the graduation ceremonies at Twelve Oaks, a private school he founded. She stayed overnight at the Dedmon home. "I can't remember the names of the movies but she had fun," he said. "She was a good sport." She was proud of her family, and continued to give advice to her children and grandchildren throughout her life. "My girls would go over to see her just about everyday," Roy Dedmon said. "They would talk to her about their friends and boyfriends and she would give them advice. She loved hearing about their lives." Another special skill Mrs. Dedmon had was making ceramic dolls. "She made the dolls and dressed them herself. She made one for all of her grandchildren," Roy Dedmon said. She was also proud of the fact that she could still make biscuits, an art she was handing down to the grandchildren. "I never dreamed that my mother would live to see my daughters as grown as they are," Roy Dedmon said. "She is 80 years older than my middle child." She liked to read the Bible and the newspaper, she did not have time to read much more, her son said. "She had a determination you could not imagine," he said. "She refused to accept a walking stick until she absolutely had to use one. Eventually, she had to use a walker.

But if she had a photo made she would not let the walker be in the picture. Or when guests came over, she would have the walker put out of sight." Mrs. Dedmon stayed active as long as possible despite severe back pain.. "The last year or so she enjoyed sitting on the porch watching the grandchildren ride horses," Roy Dedmon said. "She was still driving a car when she was 93. So many people learned so much from her. During the last years of her life, her son, Joe, was her main caregiver, Roy Dedmon said. "As a parent, she was strict in a way. She made you behave," Roy Dedmon said. "We had to work for what we wanted." Today, her sons Charles and Joe run the trucking company. In addition to her sons, Roy, Charles, and Joe, Mrs. Dedmon is survived by three daughters, Mary Ruth Hord, Doris Steele, and Sue Dover. She was preceded in death by a son, Richard Kendrick Dedmon. You can e-mail reporter Luann Laubscher at [luann\\_laubscher@link.freedom.com](mailto:luann_laubscher@link.freedom.com).



THE A V DEDMON FAMILY

## LIZZIE LEE DEDMON

SHELBY, NC: Mrs. Lizzie Lee Kendrick Dedmon, 98, of 621 Cherryville Road, died Friday, April 26, 2002, at her home. She was born Dec. 4, 1903, the 10th child of the late Lawson Irvin and Ponola Camp Kendrick. She grew up in the Pleasant Hill Community of Cleveland County. She attended Patterson Springs School and later became a student at Boiling Springs High School (now Gardner-Webb University), where she graduated in the class of 1924. In June 1925, she married A.V. Dedmon, also of Cleveland County. In her young adult days, Mrs. Dedmon taught school. Later she and her husband established A.V. Dedmon Trucking, but her main occupation was being a homemaker. She was a longtime member of Elizabeth Baptist Church, where she was active in the Adult Training Union and as a Sunday school teacher. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Richard Kendrick Dedmon. She is survived by a brother, Tom Kendrick of the Pleasant Hill Community; three sons, Charles Dedmon and his wife, Doris, Joseph H. Dedmon and Roy Lee Dedmon and his wife, Connie, all of Shelby; three daughters, Mary Ruth Hord and her husband, Horace, of Winston-Salem, Doris Steele and her husband, Dale of Burlington, and Sue Dover and her husband, Troy, of Shelby; her grandchildren, Deborah Hord of Tulsa, Okla., Melanie Hord and her husband, Felipe Arauz, of Costa Rica, Charlotte Hord and fiancée, Scott Smith, of Carrboro, Emily Hord MacMillan and her husband, John, of Winston-Salem, Karen Steele Havey and her husband, Daniel, of Raleigh, Carol Steele Stephens and her husband, Mike, of Charlotte, Lisa Dedmon Kiger of Charlotte, Lora Dedmon of Shelby, Lynda Dedmon of Venice, Calif., Lenita Dedmon of Belmont, Tyson Dover and his wife, Suzanne, Lizzie Grace Dedmon, Sarah Gwen Dedmon and AnnaLee Victoria Dedmon, Susannah Schenck Dedmon and Garth Dedmon all of Shelby; nine great-grandchildren, Joseph, Henry and Katherine Havey, Madeline and Kelly Frances Kiger, Isaac Arauz, Elizabeth and Duncan MacMillan and Holden Dover; and a dear friend of nearly 70 years, Mrs. Sudie Peele of Kings Mountain. The funeral will be Sunday at 3 p.m. at Elizabeth Baptist Church with the Rev. Jeff Brendle and Dr. Dale O. Steele officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Her body will be brought back to her home at 621 Cherryville Road this afternoon. The family will receive friends today from 3 to 8 p.m. at the home, 621 Cherryville Road, Shelby. Memorials may be made to Cemetery Funds of Elizabeth Baptist Church, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church or to the charity of your choice. Clay-Barnette Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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**A.V. AND LIZZIE LEE KENDRICK DEDMON**

## A V DEDMON

A V Dedmon was born October 04, 1899 in Shelby, Cleveland County, NC, the son of Jesse Frank Dedmon and Charlotte Lottie Wellmon. He died on October 05, 1967 in Shelby, Cleveland County, NC. The initials A V do not stand for anything it is just his name. A V Dedmon married Lizzie Lee Kendrick on 10 Jun 1925. They had seven children: Mary Ruth (1930), Doris Ann (1933), Charles Edward (1935), Joseph Hal (1938-2011), Betty Sue (1941), Roy Lee (1944), and Richard Kendrick (1947-1985) His wife and all of his children were living at the time of his death. He also was survived by eight of his ten siblings: Evans Van Buren, Flavius Sextus, William Wray Dedmon, Eva Mae, William Wellmon, Margaret, and Sarah Lovay.



**GEORGE D. DEDMON**



**J F "JEFF" DEDMON**

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by two brothers: George Durham and Jesse Frank, Jr.

AV was buried in the Elizabeth Baptist Cemetery; Shelby, Cleveland County, NC.

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## TALMADGE LEE DEDMON

December 17, 1977- Talmadge Lee Dedmon, 56, of Route 6, Shelby, died at 10:30 p.m. at his home after 12 years of declining health and eight months of serious illness. Cleveland County native, he was the son of Evans Van Buren and Jakie Hoyle Dedmon. He was employed as an overhauler in the maintenance department of Dover Textile Group before his retirement in 1965 and was an Army veteran of World War II.



He is survived by his widow, Claudie Spake Dedmon; one daughter, Miss Dottie Dedmon of the home. One brother, Ralph Dedmon of Kings Mountain; three sisters, Mrs. A.L. Putnam of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Dura Belle Grigg of Valdese and Mrs. Texter Bush of Shelby. Services for Talmadge Lee Dedmon were to be conducted today at 4p.m. at Elizabeth Baptist Church where he was a member, by the Rev. Fred Mauney, the Rev. Richard Plyler and the Rev. Leonard C. Byers. Memorials may be sent to the Respiratory Department of Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

**Palmer Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.**

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## RALPH W. DEDMON

**(May 18, 1926 - Sep. 27, 1986)**

Ralph W. Dedmon, 60 of Route 5, Kings Mountain, died Saturday at Kings Mountain Hospital. A Cleveland County native, he was a retired farmer and dairyman, a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church and a Navy veteran of world War II.



He was the son of the late Buren and Jakie Hoyle Dedmon, who preceded him in death. Beside his parents he was also preceded in death by a brother, Talmadge Dedmon.

Surviving are his wife Geneva Bell Dedmon; a son, James R. Dedmon of Kings Mountain; three sisters. Corrine Putnam of Kings Mountain and Dura Belle Grigg, Faye Bush and sister-in-law, Claudia Lee Dedmon Borders all of Shelby.

Services for Ralph Dedmon were held Monday at 3:00p.m. at Oak Grove Baptist Church with the Rev. Roland Leath and the Rev. Russell Hinton officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Harris Funeral Home was in charge.

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## CORRINE DEDMON PUTNAM

Corrine Dedmon Putnam, age 83, a resident of 512 Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain, NC died on Monday, August 12 at the Gaston Memorial Hospital, Gastonia, NC. A native of Cleveland County she was the daughter of the late Buren V. and Jakie Hoyle Dedmon and the wife of Arthur Lee Putnam. She was a homemaker and a member of Patterson Grove Baptist Church, and for 40 years along with her husband ran A.L. Putnam's General Store. Funeral is 2 PM Wednesday at Patterson Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Terry Bird and Rev. Richard Plyler officiating. Burial in church cemetery. Visitation 7-9 Tuesday at Harris Funeral Home. Survivors include her son, Jessie Putnam and wife Janice of Bessemer City; daughter, Brenda Bridges and husband of Mooresville; grandchildren, Andy Putnam and wife Jane, Robby Putnam and wife Melissa, Matt Bridges, Jessica Bridges and Ginger Bridges; great grandchildren, Harrison Putnam Nicholas Putnam and Rachel Putnam. Memorials to Patterson Grove Baptist Church "Building Fund".

**Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home  
Find A Grave Memorial# 12894718**



## ARTHUR PUTNAM

Arthur Lee Putnam 78, of 510 Oak Grove Rd. died

April 1, 1997 at Gaston Memorial Hospital. The funeral is 11 a.m. Friday at Patterson Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Terry Bird officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Visitation is 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday at Harris Funeral Home. Mr. Putnam was a native of Cleveland County and son of the late Arthur and Minnie Grigg Putnam. He was a retired building contractor and brick mason. He was a member of Patterson Grove Baptist Church, where he was a trustee. Survivors include his wife, Corrine Dedmon Putnam; Son, Jessie Putnam and wife Janice; daughter Brenda Bridges and husband Eddie; brothers, Marion, Jack and Leonard Putnam; sister, Bessie Gibson; grandchildren, Andy Putnam and wife Janie; Robby Putnam and wife Melissa; Matt, Jessica and Ginger Bridges; and greatchildren, Harrison and Nichols Putnam. Memorials to Patterson Grove Baptist Church "Building Fund".

**Arrangements by Harris Funeral Home  
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## BUREN DEDMON



Evans Van Buren Dedmon, 74 of route 6, Shelby, died at 4.p.m. Sunday at his home after being in declining health for seven years. A lifelong resident of Cleveland County, he was a deputy sheriff for 32 years before retiring in 1952. Since then he has been a farmer. He is survived by his wife, Jackie Hoyle Dedmon; two sons, Talmadge Dedmon of Shelby and Ralph W. Dedmon of Kings Mountain; three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Putnam of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Lawrence Grigg of Valdese and Mrs. Faye Newcomb of Shelby; four brothers, F.S. Ddmon, Wray Dedmon and A.V. Dedmon all of Shelby and W.W. Dedmon of Palm Harbor, Fla.; three sisters, Mrs. R.L. Carpenter, Mrs. Carl W. Moss and Mrs. John Dalton all of Shelby; 12 grandchildren and six great- grandchildren. He was a member of the Buffalo Baptist Church, where funeral services will be held Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. The body will lie in state for 30 minutes prior to the service. Burial is to follow in the church cemetery with the Rev. Aaron Phipps and Rev O.B. Williams officiating. The body will remain at Palmer Mortuary, where the family will receive friends tonight 7:30 till 9:30

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*In Volume 113, I honored our family law officers. Buren has been brought to my attention since. There will be others.*

## RICHARD KENDRICK DEDMON

Richard Kendrick Dedmon From the "Shelby Star", Wednesday November 20, 1985; Brown Auditorium manager RICHARD DEDMON, 38, DIES Richard K. Dedmon, manager and technical director of Shelby's Brown auditorium, died this morning at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem after a long illness. A Shelby native, the 38- year-old Dedmon was the son of Lizzie Lee Kendrick Dedmon and the late A.V. Dedmon. He was a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. After teaching biology for a year in Cobb County, Ga., he moved back to his home county and taught at Shelby Junior High School. In August of 1978, Dedmon took over the Brown Auditorium job. He was a well-



known figure in local theatrical circles; both an actor and director of community and high school productions. His last Shelby High musical was "Dames at Sea" in February. Dedmon appeared in several Earl Owensby movies including "Wolf man", "Day of Judgment", "Dare To Be Great" and "Carnauba". In addition to acting, Dedmon wrote two children's books and adapted one, "Champ the Donkey", into a popular stage play a few years ago. (His wife illustrated "Camp") A breeder of Arabian horses, he was a charter member of the Greater Shelby Community Theater and had been a member of the Shelby Rotary Club since 1980. He also served on the Southern Area Advisory Committee of the children's Home Society. Dedmon who lived at 1901 Fairview Road, Shelby, is survived by his wife, Sandra Schenck Dedmon; his mother; a son, Garth Winters Dedmon of the home; a daughter, Susannah Schenck of the home, three brothers, Charles Dedmon, Joe Dedmon and Roy Lee Dedmon of Shelby; and three sisters, Mary Ruth Hord, of Winston-Salem, Doris Ann Steele of Burlington and Sue Dover of Shelby. A memorial service conducted by Shelby High School; students will be held st 9:30 a.m. Thursday in Brown Auditorium. Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2:30 a.m. at Elizabeth Baptist Church, where he was a member, with Dr. Joseph Reeves, Dr.Dale Steele and the Rev, Jeff Brendle officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2:30 to 4:30p.m. Thursday at United Methodist Church and at the home of Mrs. A.V. Dedmon on Highway 150 East from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday Memories can be made to the Children's Home Society, P.O.box 6587, Greensboro, N.C. 27405. Lutz-Austell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements..

## SARAH LOVEY DEDMON DALTON

Mrs. Sarah Lovey Dedmon Dalton 81, died July 4, 1995 at home. The funeral is 2 p.m. today at Ross Grove Baptist Church. She was born November 15, 1914 to Jesse Frank and Lottie Wellmon Dedmon, Sr. who preceeded her in death. She married John Woodrow Dalton June 28, 1936. He passed away in 1993. She is survived by her sons, Brenard Dalton of Gastonia, and Steve Dalton of Jamestown; sister, Mrs Eva Mae Dedmon Carpenter and several grandchildren and great grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Arthritis Foundation, 6101 Idlewild Rd. Suite 210-1, Charolette, NC 28212. Published in the Charolette Observer.

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