

# OBITUARIES

## Lonnie Boyce Fortson

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 15, for Mr. Lonnie Boyce Fortson, 68, of Tignall at Fishing Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Barry McAvoy officiating. Mr. Fortson entered into rest on Wednesday, January 5, at the Candler County Hospital in Metter, Ga.

Mr. Fortson was born in Washington, to Boyce and Susie Inez Stamey Fortson, and was a retired mechanic at Clark-Schwebel Fiberglass. He was the husband of Margaret Labell Bryant Fortson, and was a member of the Fishing Creek Baptist Church.

Mr. Fortson is survived by his wife, Margaret B. Fortson, of Tignall; one son, Adam Fortson, (Meghan); two sisters, Barbara F. McAvoy, (Barry), and Joyce F. Sifre; and three grandchildren, Adam Fortson, Jr., Edee Fortson, and Everlee Fortson. He was preceded in death by his brother, Larry Fortson.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family of Mr. Lonnie B. Fortson c/o F&M Bank P.O. Box 280, Washington, GA 30673.

Hopkins Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mr. Lonnie B. Fortson.

## John Wayne Crouch

Funeral services for Mr. John Wayne Crouch, 81, of Tignall were held January 10, at the Tignall Baptist Church with Rev. Chris King and Rev. Barry McAvoy officiating. Burial followed at the church cemetery, where Masonic rites were conducted.

Mr. Crouch was born in Highpoint, NC, to the late Hugh and Lola Crouch. He was the husband of Marjorie G. Bouwens Crouch, and had lived in Wilkes County since 1990. He worked as a window installer in the construction industry. Mr. Crouch was a member of the Tignall Baptist Church, where he was a Deacon Emeritus. He

was a Mason and a member of the Hiram Masonic Lodge #51 in Danburg, frequently attended Lafayette Lodge #23, and was and was an honorary member of the Philomathean Masonic Lodge #25 in Greensboro.

Mr. Crouch is survived by his wife, Marge B. Crouch, of Tignall; one daughter, Sherry Lynn Sandlin, of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; one son, Kenneth Wayne Crouch, of Tignall; one sister, Doris C. Edmonds, of Lincolnton; and one brother, Hugh Richard Crouch, of Canada.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hiram Masonic Lodge #51.

## Richard Glynn Broome Sr.

Funeral services for Richard Glynn Broome Sr. of Madison were held on Monday, January 10, at the Madison Baptist Church at 328 South Main St., Madison, Georgia. Internment followed at the Resthaven Cemetery at Washington, Georgia.

Mr. Broome Sr. passed away peacefully on January 5, after a long, courageous battle with cancer with his family by his side. He was 74 years old. Born at home in the Amity Community of Wilkes County, he was one of nine children of the late John L. Broome and Selma Graves Broome.

Glynn grew up in Washington and attended Washington Wilkes High School, graduating in 1965. After high school, Glynn attended Dekalb College for a short period of time then began his working career at the Colonial Grocery Store in Washington. In June of 1969, he married the love of his life, the former Carolyn Scott. Soon after, he and his wife moved to Madison where he became the assistant manager of Colonial Stores. For twenty years, he worked in the grocery business followed by a twenty-five-year career as a home service insurance agent first working with Independent Life followed by Gulf Life and then American General.

Glynn was a friendly and easy-going person that made many good friends during his working career. Upon retirement, he was often seen working in his yard or visiting with friends and neighbors. He enjoyed spending time with his family and looked forward to the summer beach vacations and the annual family reunions. Glynn was an avid sports fan, his favorite being football, who loved every aspect of the game. Prior to his illness, one of his most favorite pastimes was attending Friday night high school

football games. For many years, local radio stations would depend on Glynn to report the final scores of the games that were played in all of the surrounding counties.

Glynn was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. Until his health prevented him from doing so, he was a faithful member of the Madison Baptist Church and the Boxwood Garden Club.

Glynn is survived by his wife, Carolyn, of 52 years; daughter, Marie Bryans (Bill) of Madison; son, Richie Broome (Lisa) of Chapel Hill, North Carolina; brothers, Thad Broome (Ginny) of Rayle, Georgia and Frank Broome (Susan) of Macon, Georgia; sisters-in-law Jeanette Broome of Washington and Martha Broome from St. Stephens, South Carolina. He was known as Papa G by his Grandson, Spencer Broome, and Granddaughters, Camilla Bryans and Evelyn Broome. He is also loved by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Doris B. Nash, and brothers: Lawrence Broome, Harold Broome, Charles Broome, Jean Broome, and Milton Broome

Glynn Broome was a good man, a loving and devoted husband and father, and a loyal and honest friend. He will be so missed by everyone who knew and loved him. May he rest in peace in the loving arms of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Memorial contributions may be made to Madison Baptist Church at 328 South Main Street, Madison, Georgia 30650; American Association for Cancer Research at [www.aacr.org](http://www.aacr.org) or mailing address 615 Chestnut St., 17th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106-4404; or Morgan County Touchdown Club % Morgan County High School, 1231 College Dr., Madison, Georgia 30650.



Structures, like this house, will be among the many stopping points for the Lincoln County Historical Park's Sunday tour.

# Lincoln County Historical Park planning 'Super Museum Sunday'

Submitted by GARY EDWARDS

The Lincoln County Historical Park will be open for tours from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 6 as part of the Georgia History Festival's, Super Museum Sunday. Members will be on hand to make guests welcome and to conduct tours of all the attractions in the park. President Don Thomas comments, "One of the things we try to do is to bring more history to more people and opening the park for tours during Super Museum Sunday is a great way to do that." The Park is located at 147 Lumber Street in Lincolnton (beside the Post Office).

Guests will be conducted through each of the venues at the park and will hear the stories of the sites and the significance of them in the history of rural Georgia. Past President Gary Edwards muses, "Our park is a continual reminder of how difficult life was for our ancestors, and the adaptations, tools, methods, and machinery of the past are fascinating."

The Lincoln County Historical Society Inc. was formed in 1982 to perpetuate the memory of the economic and cultural history of Lincoln County, Georgia. The Lincoln County Historical Park started as a vacant piece of land. The Society has since built it up over roughly 30 years. The first building was moved in 1987. It was the Groves-May House, originally constructed in 1878. The structure was home to two prominent doctors in Lincolnton. It sat on the lot now occupied by Bells Grocery Store. The park now contains a Doctor's

Office, a one-room schoolhouse, a tenant house, an animal-powered cotton gin (one of the few operational in the country), a portable sawmill, a grist mill, a performance pavilion, a country store, a smoke house, a corn crib, a syrup press, a blacksmith shop, a turpentine still and a log cabin. Each structure will be visited during the Super Museum Sunday.

The Lincoln County Historical Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Membership meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month. The History in the Park lecture series is held at 7 p.m. on

the first Thursday evening of the month from May to November. The Society's big annual event, Pioneer Day, will be November 19. The pavilion and the May House are available for rental for weddings, family reunions and other community events. For questions, contact President Thomas via email at [dpdastro@aol.com](mailto:dpdastro@aol.com) or Edwards by phone at 757-831-9556. For a complete listing of locations participating in Super Museum Sunday and an interactive Google map, visit <https://georgiahistoryfestival.org/events/the-georgia-history-festivals-super-museum-sunday/>

# Little Theater Beauty and the Beast auditions scheduled for this weekend

Submitted by JASON LEBLANC Artistic Director

The Washington Little Theater (WLT) will hold auditions for its production of Beauty and the Beast this Sunday at 3 p.m. and again on Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. The long-anticipated production will be directed by Dr. Stan Coe, who most recently directed the sell-out performances of A Christmas Carol (2017) and Fiddler on the Roof (2015).

Anyone interested in theatre, whether as an actor or crew, is encouraged to come to auditions. Not all roles will have singing and dancing, but many do. There are also several crew roles needed.

"Everyone is important," said director Coe. "There are no 'flower pots' on our stage. Whether as

a lead, a villager, or crew behind the curtain, every person involved is an important part of this special process known as theatre."

The classic story tells of Belle, a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under a spell. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved, the curse will end and he will be transformed into his former self. But time is running out. If the Beast does not learn his lesson soon, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity.

Rehearsals will begin at the end of the month and continue weekly until performances in May. For more information, visit the theater's website at [WashingtonLittleTheater.org](http://WashingtonLittleTheater.org) or their Facebook page.

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