

funeral home from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Online condolences may be sent to the family via www.morrisbaker.com.

Arrangements are by Morris Baker Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2001 Oakland Ave., Johnson City, 423-282-1521

■ Shawn Dugger

Shawn Jason Dugger, 37, 111 Park Court, Johnson City, passed away Sunday, July 10, 2011, from injuries sustained in an auto accident.



Shawn Dugger

He was a native and life long resident of Johnson City and was a son of Gary and Gwen Layne Dugger, of Johnson City.

Shawn was a graduate of Happy Valley High School and attended Berea Freewill Baptist Church in Johnson City.

He loved to travel and loved the ocean and he lived life to the fullest.

Shawn is preceded in death by a brother, Brad Dugger; his maternal grandparents, James and Dorothy Layne; and his paternal grandfather, J.D. Dugger.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include his wife, Danielle Dickerson Dugger; a son, Gage Orion Dugger, of the home; three step daughters, Mackenzie, Jemi and Gia Hickman; a brother, Rusty Dugger, of Bluff City; his paternal grandmother, Beulah Dugger, Johnson City, and a niece, Macie Dugger.

A memorial service will be conducted at 8:00 PM Friday, July 15, 2011, in the Berea Free Will Baptist Church, 2415 Sinking Creek Road, Johnson City, with Pastor Jerry Stout officiating.

The family will receive friends at the church Friday from 6:00 PM until service time.

Honorary pallbearers will be Rusty Dugger, Brian Glover, Steve Dorsey, Johnny Campbell, Dave Taylor and Mark Jones.

Condolences may be made online at www.wadugger.com.

Woodall-Anderson and Dugger Funeral Home, 108 W. Watauga Avenue, Johnson City, is serving the Dugger family, 423-928-2245

■ Merle Ellis

Merle McCracken Ellis, 87, of Johnson City, Tennessee, passed away Monday, July 11, 2011, at Appalachian Christian Village.

She was born in Telford, Tennessee, the daughter of the late Lillie Bailey McCracken and Hugh Foy McCracken. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, W.A. McCracken; and a sister, Martha McCracken Archer.

She was a member of Hopwood Christian Church, where she was active for many years. She was the valedictorian of the Washington College class of 1942, and also attended Milligan College. As the wife of an officer in the U.S. Air Force, she traveled widely throughout the United States and lived in Washington D.C., Tokyo, Japan, and the territory of Alaska before it became a state. Her family was the focus of her life, and she instilled in her children the value of education and an interest in other cultures.

She worked for many years in Johnson City, both at Standard Forms Company and at Sabre Printers.

She is survived by a brother, Harold McCracken and his wife, Peggy, of Johnson City; a daughter, Elaine Larson and her husband, Pete, of Fredericksburg, Virginia; two sons, Dr. Michael Ellis and his wife, Gay, of Springfield, Missouri, and Dr. Mark Ellis and his wife, Patsy, of Johnson City; five grandchildren: Will Ellis, Johnson City, Catherine Ellis, Springfield, Missouri, Jennifer Ellis Williams & family, Manchester, England, Matt Christie and family, Springfield Missouri, Ian Christie & family, Vancouver, British Columbia; and two great-grandchildren: Hamman Williams, Manchester, England, and Otis Christie, Vancouver, B.C.

Services will be held at Morris Baker Funeral Home on Saturday, July 16. Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m., followed by a funeral service at 3:00 p.m. The service will be conducted by the Reverend Tim Ross of Hopwood Christian Church.

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