Mrs. Nellie Wood Waters, 99, dies in her sleep Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Nellie Wood Waters will be held on Saturday, July 12 at 2 p.m. at the Nutter Funeral Home, located at 2501 Gwynns Falls Pkwy. The family hour begins at 1 p.m. The interment will immediately follow the service at Arbutus Memorial Park.

The widow of Baltimore's first black superintendent of schools, Mrs. Waters died this week on Wednesday, July 9 in Baltimore.

Mrs. Nellie Wood Waters

Mrs. Waters, whose husband was the late Dr. Francis M. Wood, the Director of "colored schools" when the education system was segregated, has been confined to bed for the past few months.

In the 1950's, ten years after Dr. Wood passed, she wed T. Henry Waters, one of Maryland's most prominent caterers.

Mrs. Waters was born on September 7, 1887 in Maud, KY, the oldest of six children of Wesley and Blanche Hughes. At the age of 18, she was one of the first black women to graduate from Berea, KY College (then open to all and later becoming all - white).

While furthering her education at Kentucky State College in Frankfort, she met and later wed one of her professors, Francis Wood, who later became president of the school. They moved to Baltimore when Dr. Wood was hired as school director.

Among their homes was a 500 - acre farm in Hereford, MD, where in the summer, hundreds of inner city black children attended the Francis M. Wood camp for underprivileged children.

Dr. Wood was an early champion for aid to the handicapped and underprivileged. Under his leadership the School for the Handicapped number 176 was established. His oldest son, John, would later become its principal for many years.

The four Wood children still reside in Baltimore. They are John M., Iona W., Albert B. and James E. Of her two living sisters, Ella Ray lives in Louisville, KY and Dora Hutchinson in Baltimore, where she taught school for many years.

There are many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and friends that she touched in life.

RED CROSS VOLUNTEER - OF - THE - MONTH AWARD — Anthony 'Tony' McNair of Garrison Boulevard recently received the Volunteer-Of-The-Month Award for June from the Regional Red Cross for his outstanding volunteer work since March, 1984. His duties include assisting the Inventory Coordinator in cleaning and maintaining the equipment that is used by CPR, First Aid, and Water Safety instructors, as well as helping to fill and deliver equipment orders. Presenting the award to Tony (left to right) Mary Jabe Lavin, director of Red Cross Volunteer Personnel; (Tony); and Ben Griffin, Red Cross Inventory Coordinator.

Russell Baker stresses immunity for witness in drug offenses

(UPI) — Democratic Attorney General candidate Russell Baker Jr. said the death of University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias is one more reason prosecutors should be able to grant partial immunity to witnesses in drug investigations.

"The Maryland statute is stupid," he said. "We're not winning the drug war in Maryland because you can't use the grand jury as the incredible tool that it could be." The law on immunity "must be changed, or we won't get anywhere."

Baker first proposed the idea as part of a plan to improve the enforcement of Maryland's narcotics laws in May.

Currently Maryland prosecutors can grant only "transactional immunity" to compel witnesses to testify before a grand jury, or at a trial.

Transactional immunity gives a witness total immunity from future prosecution relating to any matters discussed in the witness' testimony.

But Baker told The Daily Record that prosecutors investigating drug crimes should be allowed to grant "use immunity," which prohibits prosecutors from using the compelled testimony against a witness in a future criminal prosecution but does not prevent future prosecution based on other unrelated evidence.

Baker said the importance of the differences between the two types of immunity became evident last week when Prince George's County State's Attorney Arthur Marshall Jr. decided not to subpoena three Maryland basketball teammates who were allegedly with Bias when he collapsed after using cocaine.

If Marshall called them to testify before the grand jury they would be immune from prosecution on the subjects discussed, including who supplied Bias with the cocaine.

If Marshall had "use immunity," however, he could have called witnesses to testify and be concerned that only their statements would not be used against them in a subsequent prosecution.

They would not be immune from future prosecution.

Baker, who was U.S. Attorney in Maryland from 1978 to 1981, said the Bias investigation underscores why the use immunity is more reasonable.

Bias died June 19, two days after he signed with the Boston Celtics, of cardiac arrest brought on by cocaine.

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Services for I. Bradshaw Higgins

A memorial service was held for Dr. I. Bradshaw Higgins at St. James Episcopal Church on Wednesday. In his homily, Father Donald O. Wilson, rector, aptly described Dr. Higgins as, "a man of service who loved the Lord." He further stated that by visiting and talking to Dr. Higgins his own faith was strengthened.

Assisting in the service was Dr. Orris Walker, an arch deacon in the diocese of Detroit and a former Baltimorean. Mrs. Milagros Williams, the soloist, moved the congregation with the anthem, "These Are They" from "Thy Holy City" by Gaul.

Mrs. Elsie Matthews, the nurse and assistant in Dr. Higgins' office for 42 years, said she loved working for such a kind, dedicated man. "He was never bossy. We just worked together. I'm still at the office closing things down and making referrals."

Among his many patients that attented the memorial service, Mrs. Ethel Weems Murray said Dr. Higgins was the most wonderful person she knew, of course except her husband. The doctor had kept her healthy for 40 years, since she was 11 years old. Her only operation was for a thyroid problem.

Prior to the service Gamma Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity held a moving ceremony for its departed Archon. A special resolution was presented from the Baltimore City Council and Dr. Ralph Howard gave a resolution from the Trustee Staff of Provident Hospital.

The church was filled with family, patients and friends from all walks of life who came to pay their last respects to a great physician and humanitarian.

Family and friends warmly greeted one another at the reception held after the service. Auldlyn Williams, Dr. Higgins' daughter from New York, had her two tall daughters, Brooke and Eden, who were a pleasant surprise to old friends. Ivan Higgins, Jr., a doctor in Portland, Oregon shared the hospitality with his sister as well as E. Thomas Williams, Auldlyn's husband, Mr. Williams' parents spent an hour of fellowship meeting old friends and new as the reception took on the atmosphere of a homecoming.

DR. I BRADSHAW HIGGINS' CHILDREN — Left, Mrs. Auldlyn Williams, Ivanhoe B. Higgins, Jr. and son-in-law E. Thomas Williams.

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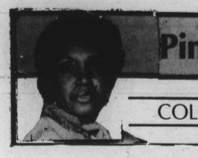

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FACIAL TIPS FOR TEEN YEARS

It's so nice working with our precious teens, especially when they drop by very frequently and chat with a specific problem in mind.

One of my former students called and what a lengthy conversation regarding dating and just a nice chat, but she did have a specific problem in mind regarding her face; she said, "Oh Miss Ross, it looks awful. I have these little pimples and they make me very self-conscious when I am among my friends."

Well, young teens have no fear, because you'll go through that stage of life anyway, but I will suggest that you see a skin specialist if your problem continues. Here are some helpful hints which will help you have clearer skin.

KEEP YOUR SKIN CLEAN

Now, your skin deserves frequent cleaning with soap and water, except in cases advised otherwise by a physician. A clean washcloth, a soft sponge, a back brush to help dislodge blackheads, and a suitable soap are necessary for healthy skin. Did you know that several soapings followed by a cool rinse will stimulate the skin?

If, in fact, you have extremely dry skin, it may be helpful to you if you use a cleansing lotion in place of soap and water several times a week. You see, the more oil the skin secretes, the more often it should be washed. I feel that teens with sensitive skin may find that washing the face with the hands is much less irritating than washing with a washcloth.

For those young ladies who have clogged pores, blackheads, or a sluggish skin tone, a complexion brush is a most effective means of massage and stimulation to revitalize your skin. If you have no clogged pores, a complexion brush may not be necessary. However, if you have oily skin, a complexion brush is a blessing.

If you are receiving treatment for a particular skin condition, your doctor may not want you to use a complexion brush. By all means, follow his advice to the letter, and remember, his medication will not do you any good unless you use it as he directs you to.

Teens, did you ever think that sometimes you perhaps eat food, and it will cause your skin to blotch or break out in a rash? Whenever, your skin reacts by swelling, blotching or itching, you may be having an allergic reaction to something. My suggestion to you is to contact your doctor. He will make the necessary tests, determine the reasons for your skin trouble and prescribe the right treatment.

Boils are very large pimples with a hard core center. They begin as minor blemishes.

Have you ever had inflamed areas of the skin that burn and itch. Did you know it could be Eczema? Now Eczema is a dry and "weepy" scaliness and it is characterized by inflamed areas of your skin. I know what you are thinking, but it's not that. Check with your doctor to be sure. If it's Eczema, it is not contagious or infectious, however, it is influenced by health and diet.

Good body functions, including

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CORRECTION: In the July 5 Late City Edition, Our World Section, in the Dr. Ruth Pratt retirement story, (Page 10) inadvertently, Brenda Davenport and Mrs. Noreen Kemp were erroneously identified as Mattie Christopher and Mrs. Carveretta Parker respectively. The AFRO regrets the error.

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