

Killed In Accident

NC County Mourns First Woman Solon

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Mrs. Zoe P. Barbee, who recently became the first Black and first woman elected County Commissioner for Guilford County, was killed Dec. 24, in a traffic accident.

A native of East Orange, N.J., she was the wife of Dr. Lewis Barbee and the daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. James B. Parks.

SHE WAS A graduate of Smith College, Northampton, Mass. and New York University, and held the position of assistant professor of humanities at A&T State University.

Mrs. Barbee was also the president of the Democratic Women of Guilford County and president of the Mt. Zion Community Civic Club. She held membership in the Greensboro Citizens

Association, the League of Women Voters, the Y.W.C.A., the Board of Advisors for the Women's Study Center of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

SHE WAS A member of Laughlin Memorial United Methodist Church where she served as organist and chairman of the Council of Ministries. Her other religious activities included: member of Regional Christian Higher Education and Campus Ministry; member of the Board of Directors for the Wesley Foundation at A&T; chairperson of the Legislative Committee for Emerging Social Concerns and assistant secretary of the Western North Carolina Conference.

Besides her husband who is a native of Norfolk, she is survived by: a brother, Dr.



MRS. ZOE P. BARBEE

James B. Parks Jr.; an aunt, Mrs. A.J. Collins of Columbia, S.C. and other relatives.

A FUNERAL service was held Dec. 29 at Harrison Auditorium, A&T Campus, with the Rev. Earl Wilson, Jr. officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Memorial Park.