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Mrs. Rebecca (Becky) Winfree Godwin

Mrs. Rebecca (Becky) Winfree Godwin died peacefully in her sleep on January 26, 2015, at Meadowview Terrace Assisted Living in Wadesboro. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2015, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Bennie Clodfelter officiating. Interment will follow in Eastview Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at Leavitt Funeral Home.

Becky was born in Wadesboro on August 2, 1924, the youngest of 12 children of Gideon W. and Susan Huntley Winfree. She enjoyed a long career at First National Bank of Anson County (now BB&T), but her favorite "job" was as a homemaker. A loving wife and mother, as well as a thoughtful neighbor, Becky took great pride in maintaining a clean, well decorated home and a yard full of flowers and seasonal colors. She especially enjoyed hosting family and friends for holiday dinners, reunions and other special occasions.

Becky had many lifelong friends, and she enjoyed nothing more than a good game of bridge with either her bridge club or other friends who shared her interest in the game. She also enjoyed doing needlepoint and crocheting afghans and other items, most of which became gifts to family and friends. Becky loved music and continued playing the piano long after she developed arthritis in her hands. In her later years she was frequently heard singing some of her favorite hymns as she worked around the house. She enjoyed the simple pleasures of life - visits with friends and family, walks on the beach, and picnics on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Becky was raised in the church, and she maintained a strong faith throughout her life. A long-time member of First United Methodist Church in Wadesboro, she looked forward to Sunday School and church every week and attended regularly as long as she was able.

Becky was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Carey Boyce Godwin, and each of her 11 siblings, sisters, Fannie,

Obituaries

Ruth, Louise, Clara, Helen and Margie and brothers, Jim, Charles, Elmer, Jack and Gene.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Bentz (Curtis) of Nemo, South Dakota; son, Sandy Godwin (Cathy) of Decatur, Georgia; three grandchildren, Kim Smith (Tom) of Midlothian, Virginia, Teresa Brown (Nicholas) of Atlanta, Georgia, and Scott Bentz of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; three great-grandchildren, Sydney Borland, Ashley Smith and Abigail Smith; three special sisters-in-law, Julia Winfree, Virginia Winfree and Betty Godwin; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Becky's family is extremely grateful for the loving care provided by all the staff of Meadowview Terrace.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 118 East Morgan Street, Wadesboro, NC, 28170; Meadowview Terrace Assisted Living Activities Fund, 123 Anson High School Road, Wadesboro, NC, 28170; or the Dementia Society of America, P.O. Box 600 Doylestown, PA 18901.

Leavitt Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

Mr. Robert Walter Huntley

Mr. Robert Walter Huntley, age 94, died Friday, January 30, 2015, at Penick Village in Southern Pines, NC.

Memorial services were held on Monday, February 2, 2015, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Benny Clodfelter officiating.

Robert was born in Anson County on October 13, 1920, the son of the late Louise Beverly and William Henry Huntley. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Charles Beverly Huntley, Col. William Henry Huntley, Herman Harry Huntley and sons, Thomas Allen Huntley and Robert Joel Huntley.

Robert was a graduate of Wadesboro High School and attended North Carolina State University until he was called for pilot training in the US Army during World War II. He flew with the 8th Air Force in Europe and was awarded the US Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters along with Seven Battle Stars and several other campaign medals.

Robert returned to Wadesboro to join his father in the operation of Huntley Buick, and then entered the oil, land and timber businesses. He served as president for both Huntley Oil & Gas Company and Huntley Land and Timber Company.

Robert's contributions to the community were many. He was an active member of First United

Methodist Church, serving on various committees and was a member of the Wesley Men's Bible Class. He was a director of United Carolina Bank in Whiteville, NC, Anson Savings and Loan Association and West Knitting Mills. He was elected to five terms on the Wadesboro Town Council, and was a founding member of the Wadesboro Housing Authority. He served as a trustee for the Lillie Bennett Memorial Foundation.

Robert's interests were many and included reading, traveling, flying, farming, raising Angus cattle, hunting and fishing at his beloved Hatteras Island. He loved spending time with his family and researching family and country history.

Surviving are his wife of 71 years, Evalyn Allen Huntley of Penick Village in Southern Pines; his son, William Kenneth Huntley (Marilee) of Wadesboro; his daughter-in-law, Sandy Covington Huntley of Wadesboro; his grandchildren, Will Huntley (Ashlee) of Pinehurst, Mariette Huntley Roland (Lee) of Raleigh, Justin Robert Huntley (Jennifer) of Raleigh, Thomas Allen Huntley of Chapel Hill and Rachael Huntley Strickland (Matt) of Durham; three great grandchildren, Mary Grace Huntley and William Kenneth Huntley III of Pinehurst, and Huntley Marie Roland of Raleigh; his sister, Louise Huntley Garris of Pinehurst; sisters-in-law, Ruby Huntley, Nancy Huntley and Mararuth Cox, all of Wadesboro and Bettie Huntley of Southern Pines; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 118 East Morgan St., Wadesboro, NC 28170, the Anson Historical Society, 206 East Wade St., Wadesboro, NC or the Penick Village Employee Fund, PO Box 2001, Southern Pines, NC 28388.

Leavitt Funeral Home is serving the Huntley family. Online condolences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

Mr. Charles Wesley "Charlie" Biles

Mr. Charles Wesley "Charlie" Biles, 56, of Polkton died Monday February 2, 2015, while on a hunting trip in Alabama.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, February 5, 2015, at Rocky River Baptist Church. Rev. Dennis Stegall will officiate and interment will follow in Wightman United Methodist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church fellowship hall.

Mr. Biles was born July 26, 1958, in Union County, a son of the late Carley and Ellen Gaddy Biles. He was a mechanic with Boggs Paving in Monroe. He was an active

member of Rocky River Baptist Church and the Rocky River Church Brotherhood.

He is survived by his wife Pamela Hahn Biles of the home; son Brandon Wesley Biles of the home; stepson Philip Hatley of Polkton; grandson Austin Hatley; sisters, Trena Brooks of Polkton and Jonie Isenburg of Wadesboro; mother-in-law Viola Smith of the home; and special family friends, Roger and Ella Thomas and Chris and Amy Turner, all of Polkton.

Memorials may be made to the Charlie Biles Fund, Edwards Funeral Home, PO Box 765, Norwood, NC 28128.

Mr. Larry Wayne "Hoot" Wilhoit

Mr. Larry Wayne "Hoot" Wilhoit, 65, died suddenly Saturday, January 31, 2015, at his home.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Dennis Stegall officiating. Interment followed in Bethlehem Cemetery in Ansonville.

Hoot was born April 16, 1949, in Anson County, a son of Laura Cowick Wilhoit and the late Marion Lester Wilhoit. He was a member of the last graduating class at Anson High School and was a veteran of the US Army. Hoot had worked many years with both the Town of Ansonville and Beachum and Lee Ford. He was a retired member of the Ansonville Volunteer Fire Department and had served as their fire chief.

Surviving are his wife of 41 years, Connie Wilhoit of the home; his daughters, Heather (Calvin) Lambert of Morven, and Stephanie (Alan) Hartsell and Michelle (Harold) Griffin, both of Ansonville; his grandchildren, Kurstin and Kolbie Hartsell; his mother, Laura Wilhoit of Ansonville; his brother and sisters, Wilbur (Toni) Wilhoit of Ansonville, Ann (Gary) Thompson of Norwood and Evelyn Poplin of Charlotte; and his mother-in-law, Tessie Hough of Ansonville.

Hoot will long be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and friend to all.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Rocky River Baptist Church, Youth and Children's Ministries, 297 Rocky River Church Rd., Polkton, NC 28135; Ansonville Fire Department, P.O. Box 437, Ansonville, NC 28007; or to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

The arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

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The following Anson County students were named to the Wingate University President's List for the fall 2014 semester: Gennifer Jones, Wadesboro; Scarlett Ponds, Lilesville; and Kimberly Puckett, Peachland.

The President's List at Wingate University is comprised of undergraduate students who earned a grade point average during the semester of at least a 3.80 with no grade below a C in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

The following Anson County students were named to the Wingate University Dean's List for the fall 2014 semester: Anna McCollum, Peachland; Ashley Sikes, Peachland; Ashton Lee, Polkton; Gregory Lee, Polkton; Mary Kaitlyn Rivers, Wadesboro; and Amber Teal, Wadesboro.

The Dean's List at Wingate University is comprised of undergraduate students who earned a grade point average during the semester of at least a 3.30 with no grade below a C in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Nominations Sought for Business Scholarship

Nominations are being sought for a \$750 scholarship offered by the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Administrative Professionals Association (NCCEAPA) through March 11, 2015. The scholarship is available to North Carolina residents pursuing a college degree (Associates and/or Bachelors) in business or a business-related field of study. Applicants must be enrolled to attend classes at a college during the 2015-2016 school year.

The scholarship is awarded annually to honor the work and dedication of Edith Herter and Frances O'Neal, co-leaders in forming the NCCEAPA in 1973.

Qualified applicants interested in applying for this scholarship can obtain an application packet from the financial aid office at their local community college or high school. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, Anson County Center, at 704-694-2915, or by visiting the Center at 501 McLaurin Street in Wadesboro.

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