

**Mr. Eli Max Randall**

Eli Max Randall, 88, of Ansonville passed away Saturday morning February 17, 2024, at his home.

A graveside service was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at Red Hill Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Rodney Clements and Rev. Tony High officiating. The family received friends in the fellowship hall following the service.

Max was born November 27, 1935, in Anson County to the late Eli Randolph and Mina Lee Hancock Randall. He was a 1954 graduate of Ansonville High School and went on to serve in the US Army. He retired from Pilgrim's Pride as a refrigeration specialist.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Ada Lee Clark, Lou Randall and brother George Randall.

He is survived by his wife Janie Tyson Randall, sons: Kerry Randall (Yvonne), Chris Randall (Elizabeth) and Kenny Randall (Debbie); daughter Janice Plumitallo (Chris); brother Benton Randall (Priscilla); sister Jill Biles (Dexter); grandchildren, Matthew Randall (Tiffany), Eli Randall (Jordan), Meghan Randall, Jared Randall (Kaylan), Kayla Darkow (Brian), Jesse Plumitallo and Casey Plumitallo; and seven great grandchildren, Evan, Caleb, Eason, Madelyn, Emma, Jada and Charlotte.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Richmond Hospice and caregiver Kim Allen.

Memorials may be made to Richmond County Hospice, 1119 US 1 North, Rockingham, NC 28379 or to the Brotherhood of Red Hill Baptist Church, PO Box 207, Ansonville, NC 28007.

**Last Weekend for *Misery* at the Ansonia Theatre**

The Ansonia Theatre in Wadesboro is ready to take audiences on a wild ride with the play *Misery*, written by William Goldman. The play is based on the novel by beloved thriller writer Stephen King and the award winning movie of the same name.

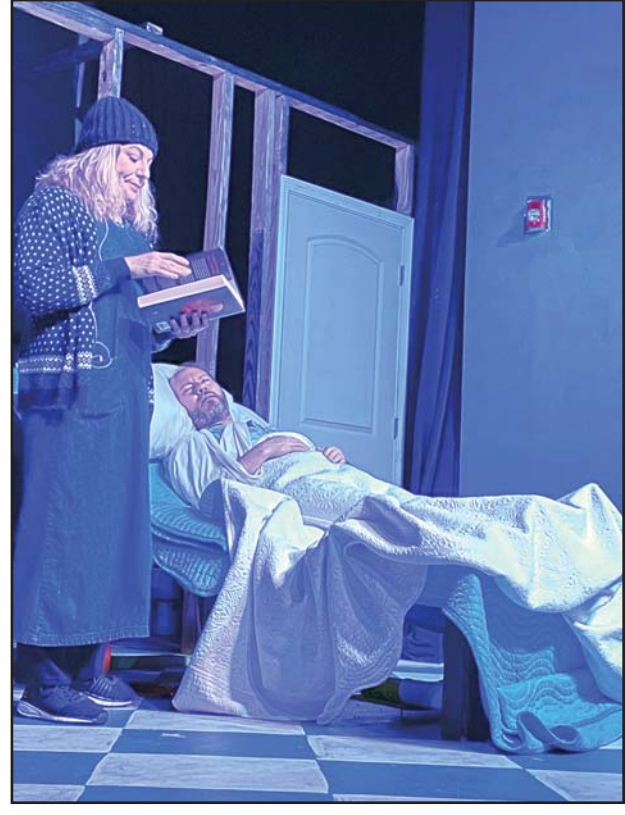
*Misery* follows successful romance novelist Paul Sheldon, who is rescued from a car crash by his "Number 1 fan," Annie Wilkes. He wakes up captive in her secluded home. Paul soon realizes that Annie has no intention of ever letting him go and so he begins to write like his life depends on it...and it does.

Director Tommy Wooten has assembled an incredible team to bring this cult classic to life. Ansonia newcomer Janine Klein takes on the pivotal role of Annie. Lance Barber is the tortured Paul and Glenn Caulder plays Sheriff Buster. The production crew includes Brittany Price, Maggie Gibson, Robert Graves, Rachel Kostelnik, Teri Brown, Donald Perkins and Oliver Perkins.

Wooten posted this recently: "We had a great first weekend for *Misery*!

I feel compelled to tell everybody a little bit of the history. In 1990 I moved to Orlando and one of the first friends I made was Janine Klein who was 15 years old at the time. She was friends with my roommate Katherine Sanderlin. We're having some kind of small gathering at our apartment and that's when Janine and I met. We didn't talk much until someone started playing the soundtrack for *Les Miserables*. "A Little Fall of Rain" came on and before you know it, she and I were singing aloud and discovered that we had a connection. That friendship went on and on and on. The first show we ever did together was *Merrily We Roll Along* in 1992. We have been the best of friends ever since and have done so many projects together over the years. When I moved back to North Carolina in 2010, she and I always said that we wanted to do another production together. Finally 14 years later, she is here on our stage, delivering one of the finest performances I've ever seen! I am so proud to call her my friend! We have one weekend left. This will probably be the only time that she is able to star in a show at the Ansonia because of her crazy busy schedule. Please don't miss out on this golden opportunity! Thank you Janine for your friendship and for your talent! I love you ♥"

The play finishes its two week run this weekend, February 23 -25. Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Get your tickets now at [ansoniatheatre.com](http://ansoniatheatre.com) or call 704-694-4950.



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**Cheraw Arts Commission Presents Oil Painting Workshop in February**

Charleston artist Joyce Hall will return to Cheraw on February 23-25 for a three-day oil painting workshop. Joyce is an international award-winning oil painter and has exhibited in galleries and museums nationally. [www.thestudiosc.com](http://www.thestudiosc.com)

The focus of the February workshop is Painting Water, Surf and Reflections. The classes will be held at the Cheraw Community Center - 200 Powe Street from 9:00 am until 4:00pm. Space is limited.

Cost for the three-day workshop is \$200.00. A supply list will be provided upon registration. Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission for additional information at 843.537.8420 x 12.

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**Date:** February 24, 2024

**Time:** 6:00PM to 10:00PM

**Venue:** Lockhart Taylor Center  
 514 North Washington Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170

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