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to the late Gernard Ockenhouse. Following her retirement she returned to the Wadesboro area and worked at Wendy's Restaurant for the last ten years.

Survivors include children, Margaret Sellers (James, Jr.) of Wadesboro and Donald Heiney, Jr (Sandy) of Bath, PA; five grandchildren, Jamie Treadaway (Mike) of Polkton, James Sellers III and Dora Margaret Burns (Jermaine), all of Wadesboro, Eric Heiney (Kelly) of Slatington, PA, and Melinda Snyder (Rich) of Shippensburg, PA; three great-grandchildren, James Dillon Sellers of Morgan City, LA, Chloe Grace Treadaway of Polkton and Kendall Heiney of Slatington; an adopted daughter, Diane Frantz of Coplay, PA; nephew Paul Heiney, Jr. of Emmaus, PA; sister, Martha "Pat" Leviner of Rockingham; and brothers, Jasper Sellers of Lake City, FL and Jimmy Cannon of Concord. She was predeceased by daughter Judy Ann Heiney, brother James Sellers, Sr. and both of her husbands, Donald, Sr. and Gernard.

In lieu of flowers, friends are invited to make a contribution in Margaret's name to: Red Hill Brotherhood, c/o Kay Benton, PO Box 305, Ansonville NC 28007.

Leavitt Funeral home was in charge of arrange-Online condoments. lences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

#### **Mrs. Ellen Burris Thomas Parker**

Ellen Burris Mrs. Thomas Parker, 89, died Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at Stanly Manor Nursing Home in Albemarle.

Funeral services were held on Friday, May 29, 2015, at First Baptist Church, Wadesboro with Dr. Robert L. Hunter, Jr. officiating. Interment followed at Philadelphia Baptist Church in Stanfield, NC.

Ellen was born June 25, 1925, in Stanly County, a daughter of the late Shuford B. Burris and Annie Hill Burris. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, Robert Brady Thomas and she later married David C. Parker of Wadesboro.

She graduated from Stanfield High School in 1942 and Appalachian State Teachers College in 1946 and began her teaching career at Efird School in Albemarle. Following her marriage to Brady Thomas in 1947, she taught at Burnsville in Mitchell County, NC, and following their move to Anson County in 1948, she then taught at Peachland, Central, J. R. Faison and Wadesboro Middle Schools, as well as Southview Academy prior to retiring following a 34 year teaching career. She was often greeted by former students and this brought her much joy to know they remembered her.

Ellen was a member of First Baptist Church, Wadesboro for 65 years, where she was a member of the Fidelis Sunday School Class, Missions Showing Love Circle and enjoyed playing the piano for many Sunday School Classes each Sunday.

She enjoyed reading, gardening, growing flowers, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends. She was also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, Down to Earth Garden Club and both Talley Ho and Teachers Bridge Clubs.

Surviving are her daughter, Pam T. Holbrook (Gus) of Albemarle; her grand-Jennifer H. daughter, Enzor (Matt) of Raleigh; her great-grandchildren, Brayden and Lillian "Lilly" Enzor, both of Raleigh; her sister, Peggy B. Hill (Carl M. "Buck") of Albemarle; her sister-in-law, Marilyn T. Hartsell of Southern Pines; and her nephews, Kenny Hill (Kelly) and Timmy Hill of Albemarle and Tom Hartsell of Jackson Springs and their families.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, Music Ministry, P.O. Box 423, Wadesboro, NC 28170 or to Hospice of Stanly and Uwharrie, 960 N. First St., Albemarle, NC 28001 or to Friends of Hampton B. Allen Library, 120 S. Greene St., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

### Mrs. Dorothy "Dot" **McLaurin Ramsey**

Mrs. Dorothy "Dot" McLaurin Ramsey, 80, died Friday, May 29, 2015, at Anson Health and Rehabilitation in Wadesboro.

Funeral services were held on Monday, June 1, 2015, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Knotts and Rev. Donnie Helms officiating. Interment followed in Eastview Cemetery.

Dot was born May 13, 1935, in Anson County, a daughter of the late Hugh Duncan McLaurin and Laura Covington McLaurin. She had worked for a number of years at Ballet Hosiery and later managed the Fast Fare Store in Wadesboro. Following the store's closing she worked at the Merita Bread Store in Rockingham until her retirement. She was a member of North Wadesboro Baptist Church.

Surviving are her daughter, Debbie Carpenter of Wadesboro; and her grandchildren, Dusty Carpenter of Wadesboro and Gina Carpenter Boteju (Indy) of Irving, TX.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Marshall Adam "June" Ramsey, Jr. and brothers, Hugh McLaurin, Jr. and Robert McLaurin.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

The arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Online condo-Home. lences may be made a leavittfuneralhomewadesboro

### Mrs. Josephine **Brooks Lowery** Ratliff

Mrs. Josephine Brooks Lowery Ratliff, 93, died Friday, May 29, 2015, at Cheraw Healthcare in Cheraw.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church with Rev. Larry King officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemeterv.

Josephine was born April 6, 1922, in Richmond County, a daughter of the late John B. "Bunn" and Hattie Morgan Brooks. She cared for children in her home for many years and later worked at Wadesboro Nursing Home, retiring after 16 years there. She was a dedicated member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

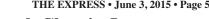
Surviving are her children, Donnie (Mildred) Lowery of McFarlan, Lonnie Ray (Juanita) Lowery of Norwood, David Lowery and Mary (Devoide) Teal, all of Cheraw; her daughter-inlaw, Dottie Ann Lowery of Chesterfield; her sisters and brother, Lois Lowery of Springfield, VA, Peggy (Carl) Currie of Wilmington, Patsy (C.B.) White and Bill (Betsy) Brooks, all of Lumberton and Sue McRae of Laurinburg; 13 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren: two great-great-grandchildren; and stepchildren, Gayland Ratliff of High Point, Delton Ratliff of Iron Station, Dallas Ratliff of Lilesville, Ernestine

Brooks of Huntersville and Avis Crowley of McFarlan and their families. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, Clayton Lowery and Monroe Ratliff, children, Charles, Larry and Dorothy Lowery granddaughter,

Elizabeth Renee Teal, and sister and brothers, Gladys White, Marshall Brooks and J. B. Brooks. In lieu of flowers, me-

morials may be made to Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, c/o Becky Nelson, P.O. Box 13, McFarlan, NC 28103 or to Thompson Creek Baptist Church Meals on Wheels Program, 3365 Wamble Hill Rd., Chesterfield, SC 29709.

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



## Wreath Class in June

The Cheraw Arts Commission will offer a class in wreath making with Lois Lavery of Tappahannock, VA on Thursday, June 11. The 2 hour workshop will be held at the Cheraw Community Center from 10 a.m. to noon.

Lois will bring all the supplies and provide instruction in creating lovely wreaths perfect for indoors or porches and doorways. Check out her shop on Facebook - The Gift Gallery -Tappahannock, VA. Lois will be one of the artists during the Art on Market the evening of June 11. She will bring her whimsical hand painted wine glasses to the Wine Factory.

Cost of the class is \$25 with supplies provided. Participants should bring glue guns. Preregistration is required. Call the CAC at 843-537-8420 to register.





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