

# Obituaries

## Mr. Grady Christopher "Chris" Boone

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, Mr. Grady Christopher "Chris" Boone, 52, passed away at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022, at Faith Baptist Church with Rev. Rick Eason and Rev. Donnie Helms officiating. Interment will follow in Jowers Cemetery.

The family will greet friends from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 28, 2022, at Leavitt Funeral Home and at other times at the home of his parents.

Chris was born March 6, 1970, in Richmond County, NC and was a son of T. F. Boone and Shelba Jackson Boone. He completed high school and later studied Basic Law Enforcement Training at Stanly Community College.

He worked for a number of years with the Anson County Sheriff Department, leaving as a Lieutenant. He was employed with Huntley Oil in Wadesboro.

Chris was a member of Faith Baptist Church. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Kristen Leigh Boone; his children, Morgan Baldwin (Chad) of Rockingham, Misty Boone of Wadesboro, Matt Boone of Rockingham, and Haileigh Boone and

Aaron Boone, both of the home; his grandchildren, Trinity Boone, Taylin A. Boone and Benton Cranford; his parents, T. F. and Shelba Boone of Wadesboro; and his brothers, Tony Boone (Donna) of Oakboro and Kevin Boone (Samantha) of Wadesboro.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Faith Baptist Church, 3520 Stanback Ferry Ice Plant Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

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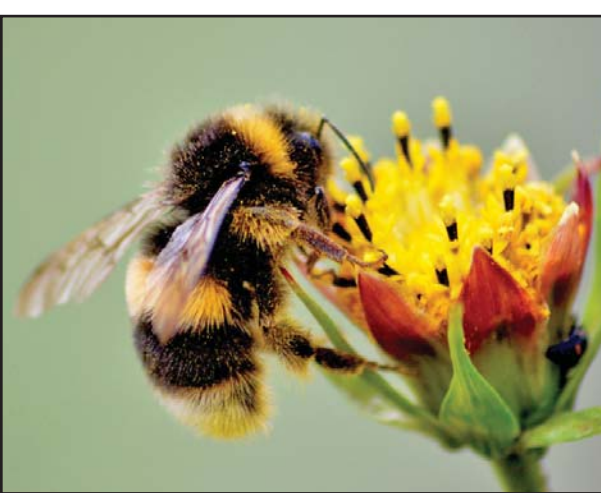
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## Supporting Bees & Native Pollinators

Everyone has heard about the decline and loss of honey bees in the past several years. Besides the honey bees, there are many other native bees, wasps, and other insects, as well as butterflies, moths, birds, and bats that serve as pollinators in our gardens that are on the decline as well. As a homeowner, you may think, what can I do? Can I make a difference? The answer is yes you can!

Here are a few ways you can help the bees & other pollinators:

- Plant flowers such as cosmos & coneflowers that have open petals & upright stamens that provide easy access for our pollen-loving friends



- Choose flowers like penstemon & salvia that are heavy pollen producers
- Many herbs provide food and seasonings for us as well as bees and other pollinators, so if you don't have them in your garden, consider adding them
- Provide shelter by planting a variety of plants such as standing grasses, flowers with hollow stalks, shrubs, and even trees
- Not all weeds need to be eradicated; see if

the bees and butterflies are enjoying the buffet they offer and if they are, leave them be!

- Plan your garden so something is blooming from very early spring to late fall
- Plant cover crops and use compost in place of synthetic fertilizers
- Provide nesting spots, by leaving some open ground without mulch for ground-nesters or make artificial pollinator nesting habitats – you can easily find instructions on the internet
- Limit or eliminate pesticide usage, especially when plants are flowering
- If you have open spaces like fields, roadsides, etc. plant with native wildflower seed mixes. Check the North Carolina Native Plant Society webpage for a list of nurseries that sell native plants & seeds as it is always best to use plants and seeds that come from our area. There are several nurseries in Union County and the region. You can find them on the North Carolina Native Plant Society website: [ncwildflower.org](http://ncwildflower.org).

## Hammerhead Worm Sightings

Recent heavy rains seem to be bringing hammerhead flatworms out of hiding. If you haven't noticed them before, they have a head similar to a hammerhead shark.

There are 5 species of hammerhead worms. They are also called planarians and terrestrial flatworms. Non-native hammerhead worms have been in North Carolina since the 1950's. They are typically orange, yellow, or brown, shiny, slimy, with a flattened body. They range from just a few millimeters to 12" long.

Generalist predators, they feed on earthworms, snails, slugs, insect larvae, springtails and other invertebrates.

**Health threats:** Do not mistake them for earthworms. Two members of the hammerhead genus, *Bipalium* produce the same toxin as pufferfish which is thought to help them overcome prey and self-defense. If these worms are handled it is advised to avoid touching eyes and mouths and wash hands thoroughly.

Some species carry the infective stages of an internal parasite, rat lungworm. While infection is possible, it is rare since one would potentially have to eat the worm to get infected.



**Management:** It is nearly impossible to eradicate existing populations, but it is advisable to destroy hammerhead worms found in the lawn and landscape since many are considered

invasive. They can be destroyed by applying salt over them, dropping into rubbing alcohol, or placing in a bag and freezing. Cutting them will only generate new worms from each section. Read more about hammerhead worms at:

[entomology.ces.ncsu.edu](http://entomology.ces.ncsu.edu).



## Colonel Ralph Franklin Tice United States Marine Corps (Retired)

Colonel Ralph Franklin Tice, United States Marine Corps (retired), of Charleston, SC, passed away on July 21, 2022.

Funeral service will take place on Thursday, July 28, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the Summerall Chapel, The Citadel, of Charleston, SC. Reception will follow the service at Mark Clark Hall. A funeral with full military honors will be held at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery.

Ralph was born in Wadesboro, NC on February 13, 1952, the son of the late John Junius Tice and Jean Davis Tice.

He was preceded in death by his brother, John Joseph "Joe" Tice.

Ralph is survived by his wife of 48 years, Judy Powell Tice of Morven, NC; his son, Brian F. Tice and wife Ashley; his son David P. Tice and wife Sara; his daughter Megan E. Alexander and husband Richard; and five grandchildren, Claire, Margaret, Julia, Windell and Marlowe Tice.

Ralph graduated from Bowman High School, then went on to The Citadel where he majored in political science while playing football. Following graduation in 1974, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps where he would serve for 30 years on active duty as a CH-53 helicopter pilot, flight instructor, and Commanding Officer of units at every level. His commands included HMH-464 during Operation Desert Storm and MAG-29 of New River Air Station. He returned to The Citadel for his final duty station as the Commanding Officer of the NROTC Unit.

During his active duty service, he earned a Master of Science in Management from Troy State University and a Master of Arts in National Security Strategy from the National War College.

Following retirement from the Marine Corps, Ralph served as the Broker-in-Charge of his family's real estate company and continued serving his community as the President of The Citadel Alumni Association and The Citadel Foundation.

To those who knew Ralph Tice, he was first and foremost a loving husband, father and grandfather who took great delight in the time spent with his family. He was a devout Christian who lived a life of faith, and cherished fellowship and studying the Bible, which he read in its entirety. He will be remembered for living a life of honor and integrity, the deep and loving relationships he formed with everyone he met, the enthusiasm and gusto with which he met life, his quick wit and sense of humor and his lifelong love for the outdoors.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to The Citadel Foundation, Class of 1974 Summerall Chapel Stained Glass Window Project, 171 Moultrie St, Charleston SC 29409.

## Anson County Board of Commissioners Meets August 2

The next regular meeting of the Anson County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, August 2 at 6 p.m.

The meetings take place in the Board Room, Suite 209, of the Anson County Government Center which is located at 101 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro.

To schedule an appearance at a board meeting, please sign up prior to the meeting. Information is available at 704-994-3201.

The Commissioners' board meetings are live streamed on their YouTube channel. Also, the videos are archived so they can be viewed at any time. Visit [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) and search for Anson Commissioners.

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