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Obituaries

Mr. Henry Thomas "Tom" Baucom

Mr. Henry Thomas "Tom" Baucom, age 92, died Thursday July 29, 2021, at Atrium Health Union in Monroe

Funeral services were held on Sunday, August 1, 2021, at Hopewell United Methodist Church with Rev. Patrick Ledford officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery. The family greeted friends at the church prior to the service on Sunday.

Tom was born on February 25, 1929, in Anson County, a son of the late James Thomas and Ella Francis Taylor Baucom. He was a retired brick mason, having worked many years with his brother-in-law Baxter Bowers. Tom was a lifelong member of Hopewell United Methodist Church. He enjoyed woodworking, and his wife Margie enjoyed painting many of his creations. He also enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and gardening.

Survivors include two daughters, Daphne Mullis and Melody Poteat, both of Peachland; five grandchildren,

Mike Mullis, Tommy Poteat, Jacob Poteat, Mandy Almond and Jennifer Kellogg; six great grandchildren; and a cat named Bill.

In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by his wife Margie Bowers Baucom in 2019, and by his brother Curtis Ray Baucom.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hopewell United Methodist Church, o Susie McSwain, 424 Pork Rd., Peachland, NC 28133.

The arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.

Mr. John Erie Pope, Jr.

Mr. John Erie Pope, Jr., 84, made his transition from this life to the next on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, from his daughter's home in Bullock, NC.

A service to celebrate Johnny's life was held on Saturday, July 31, 2021, at Red Hill Baptist Church with Rev. Rodney Clements and Rev. Cameron Currin officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery. The family greeted friends at Leavitt Funeral Home on Friday, July 30.

Born in Anson County on December 14, 1936, Johnny was a son of the late John Erie and Maude Caudle Pope. He graduated local public schools before enlisting in the National Guard. After completing his patriotic duty, Johnny managed to land a job with a local utility co-op, Pee Dee Electric, which he turned into a 37 year career! In his spare time Johnny really enjoyed being outdoors, especially gardening.

Survivors include his daughter Wanda Currin (Cameron) of Bullock, NC; his son Darryl Pope, Sr. of Garner, NC; a grandson, John D. Pope, Jr. and his mother Christine Horne; a great-grandson, John Christopher "JC" Pope; and a step-greatgrandchild, Sophie Lounsberry.

Also surviving are three sisters, Sarah Troutman of Peachland, Nancy Jones of Peachland and Ruth Williams (Wayne) of South Carolina. In addition to his parents, Johnny was preceded in death by his wife Irene Gaddy Pope; a grandson, Christopher David Pope; and two sisters, Eunice Connelly and Ellen Morton.

The family suggest memorials be made to Baptist Children's Homes of NC, Minnie Harrington Pope fund, P.O. Box 338, Thomasville, NC 27361-9911; or to Red Hill Baptist Church Brotherhood, PO Box 207, Ansonville, NC 28007.

Leavitt Funeral Home served the Pope family. Online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.



Ansonia Theatre August Spotlight is on Keitha Eddins

Keitha Eddins is making her Ansonia debut as Musical Director of Once on This Island, but she is not new to Anson County. She has lived her life deeply steeped in her love of music, and has been choir director and pianist at her church since she was in high school.



Keitha is the daughter of Keith and Gladys Pierce of Marshville, wife to Steve Eddins of Polkton, mother to Garrett Gaddy, and grandmother to Emerson Gaddy. She is also aunt to our Theatre Director Tommy Wooten, and has had a huge influence on him and his career. Keitha works at Poisson, Poisson, and Bower in Wadesboro. Welcome to the Ansonia Family, Keitha! The spotlight is on YOU!!!



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Bach's Lunch is Set for August 18!

Although the Anson County Arts Council would like to be able to have their Bach's Lunches like they normally do, at this time not everyone is guite ready to be out and about yet, so they will continue their "Bach's Lunch To Go" during August. The first Bach's Lunch of the season will be held on Wednesday, August 18, from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Drake Gallery, 108 South Rutherford Street in Wadesboro. The menu is to be determined, but will include entree, sides, dessert and a drink.

You can text now to 704-221-3038, and leave your name, number and how many plates you would like to reserve. You can also pick up plates at the door the day of the luncheon, but the Arts Council asks that you call ahead which will help with their planning. To help reduce contact, no actual tickets will be printed.

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