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Mr. Benton Yates Tyson

Mr. Benton Yates Tyson, 74, slipped peacefully from this life to the next on Sunday, December 30, 2018, while a patient at Hospice of Union County in Monroe.

Services to celebrate his life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, in Mt. Beulah Baptist Church with Rev. Randy Storz officiating. Interment will follow in Anson Memorial Park.

Born in Anson County on August 23, 1944, Yates was the oldest child of the late Pearl Benton Tyson and Julia Lowder Tyson. Typical for the time period, Yates was named for the doctor that delivered him, Dr. Yates Sorrell.

Yates graduated from Anson High School, and after a brief time with John Deere he began work at the A&R Auto Parts Company. His interest in cars, motors and the parts business led him and his friend Don Gaskins to open their own parts store, Anson Auto Supply, in 1969. Blessed with knowledge and a desire to succeed, Yates oversaw a couple of location moves and finally the move into a new building built specifically for his parts business. His success

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allowed him to sponsor several racing teams over the years, including Gary Porter's Carolina Crusher. Although Yates retired in 2014, the store, NAPA Auto Parts of Wadesboro, remains in operation today.

Yates was a faithful member of Mt. Beulah Baptist Church where he ministered in several capacities, including serving as a Deacon of the church. He also worked as a community volunteer with the Feed My Lambs program. In his younger days he was quite a baseball player and he remained an avid fan, particularly of the Atlanta Braves. He enjoyed playing in the church softball leagues of the 1970s and 1980s, and more recently enjoyed watching the Carolina Panthers and ACC basketball. However, Yates' best loved hobby was grass cutting! Occasionally, not satisfied with how things looked after just one cutting, he proceeded with a second cutting just to make sure his lawn was as neat as it could possibly be. Yates also dearly loved both his Tyson and his Poplin families. The annual Tyson Family get-together, his mother's Haithcock Family Reunion and the Grooms Reunion were always meaningful and special times he looked forward to each year.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Kayda Poplin Tyson of the home; two daughters, Tempie Tyson (Lynn Hall) of Bethlehem, Ga and Carrie Leavitt (Harvey) of Wadesboro; two grandchildren, Madeline and Tyson Leavitt; his brother and sisters, Lavon Tyson of Ansonville, Joyce Pope (Glenn) of Wadesboro, Wanda Chappell (Jerry) of Lilesville, Carol Gill (Don) of Sturgis, KY and Debbie Taylor (Wayne) of Rocky Mt.; and

his uncles and aunts, Leo Tyson, Robert "Shorty" Tyson, Ella Hargett, Alice Warwick and Jennie Thomas.

The family suggests memorials might be made online to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at www.lls.org; or the American Heart Association at www.heart.org; or locally to Mt. Beulah Baptist Church, 3373 Country Club Rd, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

Leavitt Funeral Home is serving the Tyson family.

Mrs. Elaine Edwards Horne

Through faith, Mrs. Elaine Edwards Horne, 71, overcame the trials of this life and began her heavenly journey on Saturday, December 29, 2018.

A celebration of her life will be held at Harmony Community Church on Wednesday, January 2, 2019. The family will greet friends from 1:00 until 2:30 p.m., with the service following at 3:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Horne Family Cemetery.

Born in Union County on December 16, 1947, to Essie Mae Carelock Edwards and the late Seaborn Edwards, Elaine was a retired nurse.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, Mr. Delane Horne, of the home; their children, Chris Horne (Caryn) of Peachland and Dusty Horne (Mandy) of Marshville. Elaine's greatest joy was spending time with and caring for her beloved grandchildren, Caleb, Cassidy, Courtney, Morgan, Dylan, Gracie, Taylor, Cooper, and Scarlett. Also surviving are her brothers, Allen Edwards (Robin), Todd Edwards and her sister Tonya Edwards, all of Monroe; and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins who loved her dearly.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Gregory Brouse and staff, as well as the physicians, nurses, and other staff at Atrium Health Anson, for their compassionate care and love during her illness.

The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or to Harmony Community Church.

Online condolences may be made at morganandsonfuneralhome.com. Morgan & Son Funeral Home of Marshville is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Jeffrey Lynn Horne

Mr. Jeffrey Lynn Horne, 60, died Sunday, December 23, 2018.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 31, 2018, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Knotts officiating. Interment followed in Eastview Cemetery.

Jeff was born January 12, 1958, in Anson County, a son of the late Jessie Eugene "Bud" Horne and the late Myra Kate Stubbs Horne. He was owner and operator of Creative Landscaping. A graduate of Anson High School, he received an Associate's Degree in Respiratory Therapy from Fayetteville Technical Community College.

Surviving are his wife, Lynn Simmons Horne of the home; his children, Kristi (Ronald) Hammond of Hope Mills, Amanda Horne of Greenville, Jeffrey (Alicia) Horne, II of Anderson, SC, Matthew Horne of Hamlet and Kourtne (JF) Harward of Wadesboro; his grandchildren, Riley, Ethan, Noah, Madison, Karsyn, Cameron, Trey, Aidan, Maddox and Collins; his great-granddaughter Gracelyn; his brothers, Gene (Marsha) Horne of

Morven, Charles (Tammy) Horne of Loris, SC, Perry (Terry Parsons) Horne of St. Cloud, FL and Warren "Punk" Horne of Wadesboro; his beloved dog, Klohie; and his nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother Kress Horne and grandson Jackson Horne.

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

Mrs. Joyce McLeod Weaver

Mrs. Joyce McLeod Weaver, 88, joined her Lord and her loved ones who have gone on before her on December 24, surrounded by her loving family at her home in Lilesville.

A service to celebrate her life was held on Friday, December 28, 2018, in Lilesville Baptist Church with Rev. Teddy Lawson officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Joyce was born to the late Levi Lee McLeod and the late Annie Belle Upchurch McLeod on January 9, 1930, in Buies Creek, NC. While in the seventh grade she met Billy Weaver, the love of her life, on the playground at school. Years later they married and eventually settled in Lilesville.

Joyce's main focus was on her family. She was an active member in the Lilesville community. She served in the Civic Builders Club, and was active in Gum Springs Baptist Church, later in the Lilesville Baptist Church. She retired from the Anson County Public School System as a secretary with Lilesville Elementary School. She loved the beach as well as her friends and family.

Survivors include her

children, Steve Weaver of Lillington, Debbie Sheppard (Norris) of Peachland, Stanford Weaver (Geri) of New Bern, and Michael Weaver (Cheri) of Mars Hill; four grandchildren, Brian Weaver, Trent Sheppard (Kelly), Tyler Sheppard and Mirandi Chewing (Tyler); and five great-grandchildren, Aiden Sheppard, Austin Sheppard, John Carter Chewing, Lyla Chewing, and Lane Chewing. In addition to her parents, Joyce was preceded in death by her husband Billy and a brother, Frank McLeod.

The family suggests memorials be made to Lilesville Baptist Church, PO Box 305, Lilesville, NC 28091; or to Anson Home Care and Hospice, 919 East Caswell St., Wadesboro NC 28170.

Leavitt Funeral Home served the Weaver family.

Mrs. Lillie Marie Germany Feagin

Mrs. Lillie Marie Germany Feagin, 79, died Saturday, December 22, 2018, at CMC-Union in Monroe.

Funeral services were private.

Marie was born September 20, 1939, in Daviston, AL, one of nine children born to Allie and Ellen Germany. She was retired from Wansona Manufacturing, but was perhaps better known in the community as an Avon saleslady.

Survivors include her children, Janie Barbour of Wadesboro, Sandy Hull (Stephen) of Wadesboro, Ellen Wallace (David) of Monroe and Vicky Lawhon of Aberdeen; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

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

Rabid Black Bear Found Dead in Hyde County

A black bear found dead in Hyde County has tested positive for rabies - the first known case of a rabies positive black bear in the state, according to the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission. Hyde County is located in the northeastern corner of North Carolina.

Johnny Dale of Fairfield contacted the Commission on Dec. 17 after finding the yearling male bear dead at his game feeder. Dale reported he first observed the male bear the day before at his game feeder and that it was alive, but very lethargic and unable to move. Because the cause of death was not obvious, Commission personnel conducted an initial necropsy (autopsy performed on animals) and sent the bear to researchers at the Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study (SCWDS) at the University of Georgia for further testing. On Dec. 21, SCWDS informed the Commission the bear had rabies, which had resulted in its death.

Rabies is a fatal disease, which can affect all mammals, causing inflammation in the brain with symptoms that can include lethargy, loss of balance, fever, anorexia, and/or eye and nose discharge. Signs progress within days and can include fever; swelling in the head, neck, tongue or eyelids; excessive salivation; difficulty breathing; difficulty swallowing, vomiting; paralysis; abnormal behavior, self-mutilation, aggression, and/or no fear of humans.

"Rabies in wild black bears is extremely rare; it has been documented only four times in the lower 48 states since 1999," said Colleen Olfenbuttel, the Commission's black bear and furbearer biologist. "You can only get rabies by coming in direct contact with the saliva, tears, or brain/nervous tissue of an infected animal."

The Commission offers the same precautions to bear hunters as it does for deer hunters to prevent disease transmission:

- Do not handle or eat any animal that is acting abnormal or appears to be sick.
- Wear latex or rubber gloves when field dressing; never handle a dead animal with your bare hands.
- Minimize the handling of the brain and spinal cord.
- Do not allow pets around your field dressing area to prevent contact with saliva, blood and other tissues.
- Wash hands, boots and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.
- If a deer or bear is commercially processed, request that animal be processed individually and without meat from other animals.
- Use proper cooking temperatures to ensure safe food.

Anyone who encounters a black bear exhibiting disease symptoms or comes across a dead black bear should call the Commission's N.C. Wildlife Helpline at 866-318-2401. The call center is open Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On weekends, please call 800-662-7137.

The North Carolina Division of Public Health was contacted and provided recommendations to Dale regarding post-exposure treatment.

For more information about black bears in North Carolina visit the Commission's black bear webpage at www.ncwildlife.org/bear.

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