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**Mrs. Odessa
Goodwin Williams**

Mrs. Odessa Goodwin Williams, 90, died on Friday, December 20, 2013, while a resident at Hospice Haven in Rockingham.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 23, 2013, at the Church of God of Prophecy in East Rockingham with Rev. Steve Gilmer, Rev. Ken Shipley and Rev. Fred Fisher officiating. Interment followed in Richmond County Memorial Park.

Odessa was born October 17, 1923, in Richmond County, a daughter of the late William Miles Goodwin and the late Minnie Lee Barner Goodwin. She had worked for many years at Aleo Manufacturing and later retired from Richmond Yarns. She was a member of the Church of God of Prophecy for more than 40 years.

Surviving are her daughters, Hollie Mae Watts of Rockingham and Opal "Bit" Parnell of Salisbury; son Rev. Ken (Donna) Shipley of Pinebluff; grandchildren, Keith Grooms, who was her devoted caregiver, John T. "Toby" (Darlene) Watts and Tonya (Gregg) Baldwin, all of Rockingham, Rhonda (Darrell) McDonald of Cordova, Tammy (Bubba) Kirkley of Hamlet, Kevin Grooms of Charlotte, Kelly (Robert) Luce of Maurepas,

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LA, and Jeff Parnell, Jackie (Mike) Molenda, Joan (Scott) Correll and Tracey (Bobby) Wagner, all of Salisbury; 20 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, James E. "Jake" Williams; her daughter, Faye Martin and by her brothers and sisters, Ben, Woodrow, Neal, Carson, Tracy and Jim Goodwin, Lula Williams, Pearl Campbell, Gladys Langley, Bernice Vuncannon and Ollie Mae Williams.

Memorials may be made to Richmond County Hospice, 1119 N US Highway 1, Rockingham, NC 28379.

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

**Mr. Richard
"Chief" Alvarez**

Mr. Richard "Chief" Alvarez, 61, died Thursday, January 2, 2014, at the Emerald Island Resort in Florida.

A funeral service to celebrate the life of Chief was held on Monday, January 6, 2014, at the Freedom Biker Church in Monroe. Burial followed in the Lakeland Memorial Park.

Born March 28, 1952, in El Paso, Texas, he was a son of the late Salvador Alvarez and Mary Moreno Humble. He was also preceded in death by a grandchild, Lincoln.

Chief is survived by his wife Shelia; sons, Tony Alvarez (Melanie) and Freddy Alvarez (Sarah), all of Pageland, and Richard Lee Alvarez (Alison) of Monroe; daughters, Melinda Killough-Loudermilk (Brian) of Waxhaw, Marie Alvarez-Spittle (Stewart) of Monroe, Amanda Alvarez and Randell Massey of Marshville, Katy Wheeler (Robert) of Sour Lake, TX; brothers, Salvador Alvarez of Vidor, TX and Richard Humble of Bridge City, TX;

sisters, Mary Simmons of Dickinson, TX and Lupe Brucia of Neiderland, TX; and 16 grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers memorials should be made to the Lincoln Manning Alvarez Scholarship Fund, c/o 1st Citizens Bank - Marshville, NC.

For online condolences and family page visit morganandsonfuneralhome.com.

**Mrs. Colleen
Broome Carter**

Mrs. Colleen Broome Carter, 84, died Sunday, January 5, 2014, at Ambassador Health and Rehab in Wadesboro.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2014, at Lilesville Baptist Church with Rev. Teddy Lawson officiating. Private interment will follow in Lilesville Cemetery.

The family will greet friends following the service in the fellowship hall of the church.

Colleen was born March 3, 1929, in Union County, a daughter of the late George Washington Broome and the late Jennie Ola Williams Broome. She had worked as an inspector in textiles and was a member of Lilesville Baptist Church.

Surviving are her son, David (Carolyn) Poplin of Lilesville; her sisters, Andrea (Bleechie) Preslar of Norwood, Williard Griggs of Wadesboro and Daphne Thomas of Charlotte; her grandchildren, Phillip (Emily) Poplin of Polkton and Angie Poplin of Lilesville; and her great-grandchildren, Ethan Beck and Ameila Poplin.

Arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

Mr. James E. Griffin

Mr. James E. Griffin, 85, passed away January 3, 2014, at Hospice House of Union County.

Memorial Services were held on Monday, January 6,

2014, in the First Baptist Church of Marshville.

Mr. Griffin was born in Union County on March 5, 1928, to the late William Doss Griffin, Sr. and Mary Ethel Edwards Griffin. He was a Veteran of World War II, having served in the US Merchant Marine. Jim was also well known as an attorney at law, serving this area for several decades.

He is survived by his wife Joan K Griffin; three sons, Bart Griffin, Scott Webb and Andy Webb; two daughters, Elizabeth Griffin and Ameer Webb; and eight grandchildren. He was preceded in death by grandson Jacob Webb.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers donations be made to: First Baptist Church of Marshville, 1636 Old Hwy 74, Marshville, N.C. 28103 or Hospice of Union County, 700 Roosevelt Blvd W., Monroe, N.C. 28112.

For online condolences and family page please visit morganandsonfuneralhome.com.

**Mr. Charles
Fulton Randle**

Mr. Charles Fulton Randle, 83, of Polkton died Friday, January 3, 2014.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2014, at Edwards Funeral Home Chapel in Norwood with Rev. Don Thompson officiating. The family will receive friends before the funeral at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Mr. Randle was born April 4, 1930, in Anson County to the late William Henry and Annie Josephine Thomas Randle. He was a retiree from the Department of Transportation. He was also a businessman and pastor, serving several local churches including Mineral Springs in Peachland, Rocky River Baptist Church in Burnsville and Faith Baptist Church in Rockingham. He was a supply pastor at Hopewell Baptist Church in Chesterfield.

Mr. Randle is survived by

his wife Lorene Williams Randle of the home; daughters, Joyce "Joy" Faulkner (Johnnie) of Polkton, and Karen Grace Randle and Sharon Faith Smith (Thomas), all of Greensboro; and grandchildren, Charles Vincent Russell and Caroline Grace Russell.

Online condolences may be made at edwardsfuneralhomes.com.

**Mr. Wallace
Allan Turner**

Mr. Wallace Allan Turner, 79, died Thursday, January 2, 2014, at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, January 5, 2014, at Mt. Beulah Baptist Church with Rev. Barry Byrd officiating.

Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Wallace was born April 21, 1934, in Anson County, a son of the late Kemp and Rosa Allen Turner. He was retired from United Carolina Bank and was a member of Mt. Beulah Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Ruth Carpenter Turner of the home; his daughter Lisa (Todd) Burns of Monroe; his grandson, Nicholas Burns of Monroe; and his brother and sister, Jasper Turner of Aquadale and Lillie Keeter of Monroe.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother, Melton Turner.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Beulah Baptist Church, 3373 Country Club Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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**Wadesboro
Elementary
School Spelling
Bee Winners**

Wadesboro Elementary School held a classroom spelling bee where all students participated with hopes of advancing to the school level spelling bee. The top three students from every classroom spelling bee advanced to the school spelling bee, which was held on Thursday, December 19th.

The WES school spelling bee concluded with sixth grader Kinisha Simon as the Winner and fifth grader Destiny Owens as the Runner-up. Both students will attend the county wide spelling bee on Thursday, January 15th, and Kinisha will compete against other winners from the county.

Kinisha (left) and Destiny are pictured here.

Free Writing Workshop Offered on January 26

The Anson County Writers' Club will host a free workshop on how to structure your novel on Sunday, January 26. The workshop will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce, located at 107 East Wade Street in Wadesboro.

"The workshop will begin with a demonstration and follow with a hands-on exercise that will teach you how to plot your mystery or adventure novel," said presenter Karen MacMurray. She will also show writers how to plant red herrings and insert turning points.

The ACWC invites you to join them for a fun and informative meeting, whether you are an experienced writer, a novice, or just plain curious about the writing process.

The workshop will be preceded by a short business meeting at 3 p.m.

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