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Mr. Dana "Danny" Phillip Nash
On Wednesday, January 18, 2023, Mr. Dana "Danny" Phillip Nash, 67, passed away peacefully at Atrium Health Pineville with his wife, daughter and his sister at his bedside.

A memorial service was held on Sunday, January 22, 2023, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. The family greeted friends following the service at the funeral home.

Inurnment will be later at Eastview Cemetery.

Danny was born March 18, 1955, in Union County and was a son of Peggy Odom Nash Keller and the late Donald Albert Nash. He was an accomplished brick mason and has worked with several local brick masons and contractors in Anson County.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Debbie Eddins Nash; his daughters, Dana Nash of Marshville and Jessie Nash of Wadesboro; his grandsons, Christopher Dawkins of Lilesville and Blake Driggers of Chesterfield, SC; his great-granddaughter who was the apple of his eye, Scarlett Dawkins; his mother Peggy Keller of Wadesboro; his sisters, Nancy Nash of Marshville and Lucy Nash of Hamlet; his brother-in-law and sisters-in-law, Ralph Eddins of San Diego, CA, Pat Braswell (Sidney) of Norwood and Suzanne Dyer of Yakima, WA; and many good friends and other family members.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Chris Nash and David Nash, his father-in-law Prentice Eddins, his mother-in-law Katie Gelsomini and his sister-in-law Margaret Robeson.

"Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees." -Stonewall Jackson

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

Jennie Lee (Tyson) Thomas

Jennie Lee (Tyson) Thomas, beloved mother and grandmother, passed into eternal life on Sunday, January 22, 2023, in Wadesboro, North Carolina.

A memorial service will be held at Calvary Episcopal Church in Wadesboro on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

The daughter of Ethel and Merritt Pearl Tyson, Jennie was born in Ansonville, North Carolina on June, 25, 1931. Jennie grew up in Ansonville where she and her husband, Louis Gray Thomas, started their family and lived until 1957 when they moved to Wadesboro.

Jennie was well known for her culinary skills as well as for her magical touch in her garden. Though she never shied away from a difficult recipe, and made the most wonderful desserts, she was also a master of everyday home cooking. To have dinner at the Thomas home was always a treat. However, Jennie's most impressive work was more visible to all passersby: her yard and garden at her home in Wadesboro. Over a period of 60 years, Jennie cultivated her flowers, the vast majority of which were started from cuttings, bulbs, and "extras" from her friends, family, and neighbors. She never saw a flower in which she could not find virtue. While Jennie felt that her gardens were her place of solace, others viewed it as her canvas, and what a work of art she created!

In Wadesboro Jennie worked for 30 years as a Service Representative at Alltel. While she remained a loyal member of All Souls Episcopal Church in Ansonville (serving as Treasurer for many years), she also attended Calvary Episcopal Church in Wadesboro where she sang in the choir and belonged to the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) group. Jennie is remembered by her children as their rock, always strong, reliable and determined. Certainly she balanced her work and other home demands, but first and foremost she cared for her children; she was fiercely determined to protect them and never failed to remind them how much they were loved. Jennie's love and support extended to her larger family as well. Nothing pleased her more than to host her extended family Christmas Eve dinners, complete with extensive decorations and, of course, a meal that only Jennie could prepare. This event became known by the family as "Jennie's Super Bowl."

Friends remember Jennie as a beautifully dressed, perfectly accessorized, good natured woman who was never drawn into the drama that life in a small town could bring. She was genuine and uncomplaining, looked for the best in a situation, and paid no attention to naysayers. Jennie was truly one who chose to "bloom where you are planted." Yet, she had a strong will and was intensely loyal, not only to her family, but to God, and to North Carolina basketball. During a particularly close UNC basketball game, Jennie was known to become so anxious that she would vacuum ferociously rather than sit still and wait for the outcome.

It is with heavy hearts that we say goodbye to the wonderful lady we know as Mother, Ganny, Jennie-Baby, Jennie Wren, Skinny Jennie, and Muh. Yet we rejoice in knowing that she lived well, and that she is again with those who have gone before and whom she has missed so much. Jennie was preceded in death by her husband Louis; her brothers, Marvin Tyson, Buddy Tyson, Grover Tyson (infant) and Leo Tyson of Ansonville, Harold Tyson of Laurel Hill, and Robert "Shorty" Tyson of Wadesboro; her sisters, Mattie Tyson Gaddy of Wadesboro and Alice Tyson Moehrer of Rockingham. She is survived by her sister Ella Tyson Hargett of Wingate; her children, Louis G. "Pete" Thomas, Jr. of Wadesboro, Merritt Russel "Rusty" Thomas of Mechanicsville, Pennsylvania, and Janice Thomas "Jan" (Greg) Williams of Raleigh; and her grandchildren, Thomas (Kayla) Williams and Connor Williams of Raleigh.

In honor of Jennie's commitment to the Church, the family requests that no flowers be sent; instead any memorial contributions can be made to the Calvary Episcopal Women ("Calvary ECW," c/o Calvary Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 942, Wadesboro, NC 28170).

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

Mrs. Tammy Hildreth Kantner

On Sunday, January 22, 2023, Mrs. Tammy Hildreth Kantner, 62, passed away peacefully at Atrium Health Union in Monroe.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2023, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Hildreth Family Cemetery.

The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the funeral home.

Tammy was born September 3, 1960, in Chesterfield County, SC, and was a daughter of the late Spare Hildreth and the late Josephine Jeanette Oliver Hildreth. She attended Anson County Public Schools and was a homemaker.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband of 44 years, George L. Kantner; her beloved dog Baby Girl; her sisters and brothers, Robin Sawyer (Gary) of Canton, Sean Hildreth (Amy), Adam Hildreth and Tanya Hildreth, all of Wadesboro and Jeremy "Tot" Hildreth of Lilesville; her brother-in-law Delbert Adams of Chesterfield, SC; and her nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son "Little George" and her sister and brothers, Wanda Adams, Shannon Mark Hildreth and Samuel "Sambo" Hildreth.

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Evelyn Mayes Redfearn Capel



On Friday, January 20, 2023, Evelyn Mayes Redfearn Capel passed away peacefully at Anson Health and Rehabilitation in Wadesboro, NC with her three daughters at her side.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 28, 2023, at First United Methodist Church, Wadesboro with Rev. Stacey Lundy and Rev. Allen Laymen officiating. Interment will follow in Eastview Cemetery.

The family will greet friends on Friday, January 27, 2023 from 5:00 PM until...

Evelyn was born on August 5, 1922, in the small community of Cool Springs outside of Statesville, NC to the late Earl Durant Mayes, Sr, and the late Ethel Shoemaker Mayes.

She began her working years with the Department of Agriculture office in Statesville followed by a position at a local bank, the beginning of a decades-long career in banking. On February 8, 1946, she married David Townley Redfearn and moved to Townley's family farm just outside Wadesboro. Together they grew the farm into a large dairy, row crop, and timber operation.

Evelyn worked at First National Bank (later Southern National, then BB&T) where she met much of Anson County's population. She was known for her friendliness and ready smile. At the same time, she shared in the management of the farm while raising three daughters, Lyn, Rosie and Mary Townley.

In May 1969 Townley was killed in a timber accident. Evelyn continued working at the bank while overseeing the farm operations, eventually focusing on timber farming. In 1978 she married Bill Capel, Sr. and gained a son, Bill Jr. At the age of 67 she retired from BB&T as an assistant vice president.

Following Bill's unexpected death in 1990, Evelyn found solace in visiting her children and grandchildren, making countless drives to Winston-Salem, Durham and Norfolk, VA. At 69, she still entertained her beloved grandchildren by turning cartwheels in the yard. As the years passed, Evelyn continued gardening, antiques and working on ever-present projects.

In 2008 at the age of 86, Evelyn moved from the family farm into town and became a familiar sight walking Wadesboro's hilly streets as she "made her rounds" and puttered in her yard. Although becoming wheelchair-bound and eventually confined by COVID restrictions, she regularly attended church and went out for Sunday lunch thanks to her devoted son Bill. Her faith and her commitment to the First United Methodist Church of Wadesboro were very important parts of her life.

Evelyn kept her home the family gathering place as spouses joined the family and grandchildren and great-grandchildren were born. She was the absolute heart of her family and was never happier than when she was surrounded by those she loved. She taught the value of family and served as a wonderful example of what it is to be a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her daughters, Sarah "Lyn" Redfearn Treadway, Rosalind "Roe" Redfearn Boothby (George), and Mary Redfearn Creed (Bob); and son William C. Capel, Jr (Jocelyn); grandchildren, David Treadway (Danielle), Daniel Treadway, Sarah Treadway, Neil Boothby (Brooke), Jeff Boothby, and Arthur Capel (Anna); and great-grandchildren, Dakota Treadway, Evelyn "Evie" Treadway, Ella Barker, Townley Boothby, Bailey Boothby and Harrison Boothby.

In addition to her parents and husbands, Evelyn was preceded in death by her brothers, Herman Mayes and Earl Mayes, and her son-in-law Jerry Treadway.

The family would like to thank those who cared for Evelyn and enabled her to live at home until shortly before her death.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 118 Morgan Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170, Anson County Arts Council, P.O. Box 332, Wadesboro, NC 28170, Anson County Historical Society, 206 East Wade Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170, or Hospice of Richmond County, 1119 US-1N, Rockingham, NC 28379.

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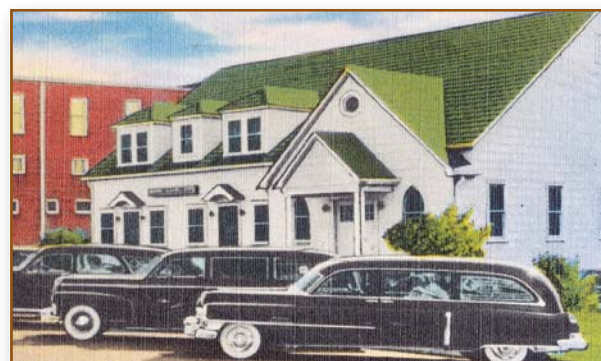
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