

Barbara Brock Furr, 79, of Concord, NC passed away Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at Tucker Hospice House in Kannapolis, NC.

A graveside funeral service was held on Saturday, February 10 at Oakwood Cemetery in Concord.

Mrs. Furr was born December 10, 1944, to and Kenneth Brock and Sally Short Brock.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her father-in-law Charlie Furr; and mother-in-law Elizabeth Davis Furr.

Barbara was a member of Hanna Chapel United Methodist Church and Wade United Methodist Church for the last 20 years where her husband served as the pastor.

Barbara was a member of many United Methodist churches through the years as she moved with her husband. She did not like the spotlight, but served in many capacities in the church over the years, often doing many "behind the scenes" tasks. She enjoyed teaching Vacation Bible School. She loved serving others and volunteered weekly at the Anson Crisis Ministry until she became ill in September.

Survivors include her husband of 53 years, Rev. Jimmie Furr of Concord; brother-in-law, Richard Furr of Pembroke and nieces, Shane Furr (Leigh Ann) of Kannapolis, Travis Furr (Aprille) of China Grove, Leighann Furr of Kannapolis, and Andrew Furr, Alex Furr, Kennedy Furr and Kolton Furr; and cousin Lois Cocks.

Memorials may be made to the Anson Crisis Ministry or other charity of the donor's choice.

Hartell Funeral Home of Concord is serving the Furr family. Online condolences may be made at www.hartellfh.com.

Margaret McRae Wall Goins

On Monday, February 12, 2024, Margaret McRae Wall Goins, 70, was reunited with her husband and many loved ones in heaven.

There will be a service to celebrate her life at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 18, 2024, at Morven Presbyterian Church with Rev. Stacey Lundy and Rev. Heather McIntyre officiating. The family will greet friends from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 17, 2024, at Leavitt Funeral Home and other times at the home.

Like the light she brought to the world, it is requested to please wear bright and vibrant colors to the services.

Margaret was welcomed as the third of four children to Edwin and Celeste Steagall Wall of Morven, NC on November 14, 1953. Many of her childhood days were spent on the Wall land where she grew up grading eggs and having adventures in the woods and creek with her siblings and cousins. Growing up she had several jobs she enjoyed, including Morven Truck Stop and Morven Pharmacy, but her passion and God-given talent was teaching.

She was a graduate of Bowman High School and the University of North Carolina at Pembroke with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education, with a Certificate in Early Childhood Education. A proud graduate of UNC-P and charter member of the Delta Theta Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma, she was ready to give back to the county she lovingly called home. Teaching for over 40 years, Margaret left a great impression on several generations of students and coworkers. Margaret always went the extra mile, including leading several committees and events. Loving her "babies" was one of greatest gifts she gave to the community.

Like most of the family, Margaret enjoyed arts and crafts of all kinds. She taught paint classes at Anson Tech and a variety of classes at her mother's craft store Back Porch Crafts. Margaret also led the Anson County Arts Council's summer art camps.

After retirement, Margaret did not slow down and stayed active volunteering and enjoying life. She was a part of many organizations and groups, including the Anson Women's League, Delta Kappa Gamma, local Bridge and Bunco Clubs and the Anson County Arts Council. She always supported her girls at both Anson and Richmond County Partnership for Children and Anson County Domestic Violence.

A lifelong member of Morven Presbyterian Church, she fulfilled many roles in the church's areas of ministry. Margaret was a great example of showing God's love to the world.

Margaret was a natural caregiver and took on the role for several loved ones in times of need and always provided a safe space. She would help anyone she could. Many of her daughters' friends affectionately called her "Mama Margaret."

Though her love story with John ended too soon, it was a beautiful testimony of vows, loyalty, and everlasting love. She never wanted another relationship because she "would never find anyone like John."

Margaret was a role model of strength, positivity, grace, kindness, and love to her daughters. They could not have asked for a better mom.

Margaret is survived by her daughters, Caroline Goins and Elizabeth (Joseph) Rizzo of Wadesboro; her sisters and brother, Mary Buckingham and James Wall of Morven and Inez Vaughn of New London; her nephews and nieces, Wheeler (Jennifer) Buckingham and their children Tommy and Payton; Celeste (Woodie) Dutton and their children Lauren, Madison and Anna; and Stephen (Moirra) Vaughn and their children Emerson, Lilian and Casten.

She maintained a special relationship with the Goins family, Beverly (Kim) Allen and her niece Kaitlin of Sanford, NC and Ken (Becky) Goins of Wadesboro, and many dear cousins from both the Wall and Steagall families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband John M. Goins in 1996 and by her brothers-in-law, Tom Buckingham and Ronnie Vaughn.

Margaret not only made an impact on the lives of her family members, but she did so with all she met. She made a difference in the lives of her students and friends alike, her bright smile and words of encouragement were always there at the right time.

In lieu of flowers, please honor the woman who never stopped giving by making donations to the following: School supplies for students and teachers at Morven Elementary School will be collected at visitation and the memorial service; or Morven Presbyterian Church, Memo: Morven Elementary School, PO Box 274, Morven NC 28119; or Anson County Partnership for Children, Memo: In Memory of Margaret, PO Box 918, Wadesboro NC 28170; or your favorite organization that supports children in need.

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

Rev. Floyd Franklin Newton, Sr.

Come home, come home it's supper time; On Friday, February 9, 2024, Rev. Floyd Franklin Newton, Sr., 89, heard the call and went home to be with his Lord while being cared for at Hospice Haven in Rockingham after battling bone and lung cancer.

His funeral service was held on Monday, February 12, 2024, at Faith Baptist Church with Rev. Rick Eason officiating. Interment follow in Jowers Cemetery. The family greeted friends prior to the service Monday at the church and other times at home.

Floyd was born January 7, 1935, in Anson County, and was a son of the late William Tommy Newton and the late Eula Garris Newton. During his lifetime he had worked for Sealtest Milk driving a truck, Hudson Paving, Federal Paper Company and the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

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FEBRUARY 14 - 16

Women of Fire Program at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 7pm nightly. Wed-Bishop Carol Hall, Thu-Pastor Cindy Wiggins, Fri-Pastor Betty Tillman. All are welcome!

FEB 18 & MARCH 17

Men's Day Singing Celebration at Tabernacle House of Praise, 9154 Hwy 52 N, Ansonville, 3pm in honor of Apostle Freddie & Lady Denise Burns' upcoming 18th Pastoral Anniversary on March 17 at 3pm. Colors are black & white, men are asked to be prepared to march in. Speaker is Chief Apostle Annette Hall Ross from Grace and Mercy Cathedral Ministry in Charlotte. All are welcome. Info 704-438-0415.

Annual February Birthday Program at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 3pm with Apostle Annette Ross of Grace & Mercy Cathedral Ministries in Charlotte. Everyone is invited.

FEBRUARY 24

Queens Court Fashion Show at Savannah AME Zion Church, 1pm. Running for Queen are Helen Tillman and Tawanda Wallace.

FEBRUARY 25

Lay Council Program

At Rocky Mount AME Zion Church, 2:30pm with Rev. Joletha Dockery, Pastor of Bessie Chapel AME Zion Church in Lilesville.

Events

FEBRUARY 16 - 18

Ansonia Play "Misery"

Based on novel by Stephen King, *Misery* takes audiences on a wild ride! Romance novelist Paul Sheldon is rescued from a car crash by his No.1 fan who holds him captive using extreme means! Fri & Sat 7:30pm, Sun 3pm. Tickets at ansoniatheatre.com or call 704-694-4950.

FEBRUARY 20

Board of Commissioners Meet 6pm in Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. Meetings are available online at youtube.com, search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201.

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