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Mr. Bruce Everette Waddell

Mr. Bruce Everette Waddell, 70, died Thursday, February 13, 2020, at The Hermitage in Rockingham.

Services were held on Sunday, February 16, 2020, by the graveside in Brown Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

Bruce was born April 26, 1949, in Anson County, a son of the late Fred Lee Waddell and the late Katherine Story Waddell.

He was a 1967 graduate of Wadesboro High School and attended Appalachian State University. During high school, Bruce was quite the football player and wrestler. He worked for a number of years as a sales associate

Obituaries

for H. B. Allen Clothing Store in Wadesboro. He was a member of Brown Creek Baptist Church.

Surviving are his sisters, Leigh Wagner (Mike) and Freddie Holley, all of Wadesboro; his nephews and niece, Michael Wagner of Cornelius, John Wagner of Wadesboro, James Michael Martin of Asheboro, Charles Holley (Ashleigh) and Mary Katherine Holley, all of Lilesville; his great-niece and nephews, Maddie Martin, Miles Wagner, Max Griffin and Palmer Hendley; his aunt, Ruth Waddell Hickman of Wadesboro; and a very special cousin, Lula Ann Davis of Wadesboro.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Brown Creek Baptist Church, 4210 NC 742 N, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

Mrs. Harriet Seawell Usrey

Mrs. Harriet Seawell Usrey, 82, of Little River, SC and formerly of Lilesville, died Monday, February 10, 2020, at her home with her daughters at her bedside.

There was a service to

celebrate Harriet's life on Saturday, February 15, 2020, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home in Wadesboro with Mr. Ken Caulder officiating. A private inurnment took place in Anson Memorial Park.

There will also be a memorial service at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at Ocean Drive Presbyterian Church, with a reception following the service.

Harriet was born November 1, 1937, in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late Harry LaFayette Seawell and the late Dorothy Young Seawell. She was a 1954 graduate of Lilesville High School and a graduate of Virginia Women's Junior College.

She worked at B.V. Hedrick for a number of years prior to becoming employed with Anson County Schools, first as a teacher's assistant at Lilesville Elementary School, and retiring as the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools. Her career with Anson County Schools spanned 32 years.

Harriet was very civic minded and was active in Lilesville Civic Builders Club, Anson County Chapter of the American Heart Association, Anson County Booster Club, and various other activities in Anson County.

She grew up as a member of Wade United Methodist Church, of

McLeod Hospice - Loris Seacoast for the manner in which they cared for her. A very special thank you to Harriet's extended family, Taylia Marlow and Brenda Marlow for the love and care they provided to assist them in caring for her.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to McLeod Hospice - Loris Seacoast, 3655 Mitchell St, Loris, SC 29569. The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.

Mrs. Linda Sellers Usrey

Mrs. Linda Sellers Usrey, 77, died Tuesday, February 11, 2020, at Atrium Health Union in Monroe.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 14, 2020, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment followed in Gum Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.

Linda was born February 4, 1943, in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late James Newberry Sellers and the late Mildred Kathryn Goodwin Sellers. She was a member of the first graduating class at Anson High School in 1961.

She worked for a number of years as the Library Assistant and Principal's Secretary at Peachland-

Polkton School, as Purchasing Agent at Southern Fab in Polkton, and later at Wade Manufacturing as the receptionist. In her words, she was a "Professional Telephone Talker."

Surviving are her son, Johnny Lee Usrey (Susan) of Lilesville; her grandchildren, Jordan Maness (Michael) of Polkton, Bryan Usrey and Jesse Usrey, both of Lilesville; her great-grandchildren, Jon Michael Maness and Ford Maness; her sisters and brother, Judy Horne (Don) of Peachland, Frances Burroughs (Jabie) of Lilesville, and James Sellers of Robbins; her sister-in-law, Vickie Clark of Lilesville; her aunt and uncle, Peggy Talent (Bill) of Norwood and Harold Goodwin (June) of Yulee, FL; and her nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband John Barry Usrey and her son Jeffrey Dean Usrey.

Linda's family wishes to thank the staff at Atrium Health Union for the care they provided her.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Gum Springs Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o, Sarah Harrington, 1364 Hailey's Ferry Rd., Lilesville, NC 28091.

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

Tobacco Use in Adolescence

More deaths are caused each year by tobacco use than by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), illegal drug use, alcohol, motor vehicle injuries, suicides, and murders combined. However, tobacco use by adolescents and young adults has declined substantially over the past 40 years. In 2018, only 3.6 percent of high school seniors identified as a daily smoker, and 7.6 percent had smoked within the past 30 days. Furthermore, adolescents' use of smoking products is evolving. In 2014 and for the first time in history, more teenagers used electronic cigarettes (or e-cigarettes) than smoked tobacco cigarettes. This trend continued in 2018, as more high school students used e-cigarettes or similar devices to vape (i.e., inhale vapors that include nicotine) than smoked tobacco cigarettes. These products pose a set of new challenges, as they are known to be harmful but their health impact is not yet fully understood.

Tobacco use remains the number one cause of preventable deaths in the United States. It is critical that efforts to prevent and reduce teen smoking continue, as the stakes could not be higher. On average, smokers die at least 10 years earlier than non-smokers and, every day, more than 1,200 people in the United States die from smoking-related causes. Almost 90 percent of those who die from smoking-related causes began using tobacco products at or prior to age 18. The Surgeon General estimates that if all the evidence-based youth anti-tobacco strategies were implemented, smoking among high school students would decline by more than 50 percent by 2020.

Ways to Reduce Adolescent Tobacco Use The Surgeon General's report Preventing Tobacco Use among Youth and Young Adults (www.hhs.gov) summarizes the causes, the solutions, and the latest findings about the epidemic of tobacco use among these groups.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org) recommends exit disclaimer icon that primary care clinicians provide interventions, including education or brief counseling, to prevent initiation of tobacco use among school-aged children and adolescents (ages 10-17).

The Community Preventive Services Task Force exit disclaimer icon offers guidance and recommendations on evidence-based approaches to prevent and reduce tobacco use by adolescents. These include:

- Reducing the initiation of tobacco use (such as by increasing the price of tobacco products)
- Increasing tobacco use cessation for smokers and users of other tobacco products (through mass media campaigns and other interventions)
- Restricting minors' access to tobacco products (through community mobilization and enforcement)
- Reducing exposure to second hand smoke (primarily through smoking bans)

3D Mammograms Detect Breast Cancer Earlier

X-rays were first used for diagnosis and therapy in the late 1890s, making them oldest and still the most common form of medical imaging. X-rays also represent a prime example of continuing advancements in medical technology. "Traditional 2D breast X-rays take one picture from the front and one from the side," says McLeod Radiologist Dr. Steven Glassman. "In newer digital breast tomosynthesis, the X-ray tube moves in an arc around the breast, taking 11 images that are then compiled and computerized to produce a 3D image. The difference between 2D and 3D in the amount of X-rays a woman may be exposed to is minimal."

Early Detection With 3D technology, radiologists can scroll through the numerous layers (images) of breast tissue, enabling them to see suspect areas more closely and sharply, especially in women with dense breast tissue.

Several studies have shown that 3D mammography potentially catches more signs of breast cancer than a 2D scan. The American Society of Breast Surgeons recommends that ALL women over 40 have a yearly mammogram and that all females who need a mammogram to consider 3D.

Follow-Up If additional testing is called for, patients may have another mammogram, ultrasound, MRI or breast biopsy.

Cost Currently, most commercial insurance companies, Medicare and Medicaid cover the cost of mammogram. Since the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) was enacted in 2010, all new health insurance plans are required to cover screening mammograms for women aged 40-and-older every one-to-two years with no out-of-pocket costs, such as co-insurance or co-payments.

Actions Patients Can Take To see if a 3D mammogram is appropriate, patients should talk with their personal physician. All McLeod Health hospitals offer mammography. And 3D mammograms are now available at these McLeod locations: McLeod Regional Medical Center, McLeod Health Cheraw, McLeod Health Clarendon, McLeod Health Dillon and the Mobile Mammography Unit. To schedule a mammogram, call 843-777-2095, select option 1.

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Early Voting Schedule for March 3 Primary Election

Early Voting takes place at the Board of Elections office

One Stop Early Voting began on Thursday, February 13 for the March Primary Election. It runs through February 29. All Early Voting takes place at the Anson County Board of Elections Office, located at 402 Morven Road in Wadesboro.

The schedule (printed below) includes two Saturdays with hours of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and one Sunday with hours of 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

If you don't vote during Early Voting, the Primary Election Day is Tuesday, March 3, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. On election day all Wadesboro voters will vote at the Lockhart-Taylor Center, in the Ingram Room, located at 514 North Washington Street in Wadesboro. If you previously voted at the AA Building on Country Club Road or the Anson County Board of Education on Camden Road, those sites will no longer be used. All other Anson voters go to your regular polling precinct.

For more information call Board of Elections at 704-994-3223.

Early Voting Schedule

- Thursday, Feb. 13.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Friday, Feb. 14.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Saturday, Feb. 15..... 8am - 3pm**
- Monday, Feb. 17.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Tuesday, Feb. 18..... 8am - 7:30pm**
- Wednesday, Feb. 19... 8am - 7:30pm**
- Thursday, Feb. 20.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Friday, Feb. 21.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Saturday, Feb. 22..... 8am - 3pm**
- Sunday, Feb. 23..... 12pm - 6pm**
- Monday, Feb. 24.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Tuesday, Feb. 25..... 8am - 7:30pm**
- Wednesday, Feb. 26... 8am - 7:30pm**
- Thursday, Feb. 27.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Friday, Feb. 28.....8am - 7:30pm**
- Saturday, Feb. 29..... 8am - 3pm**

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