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The family will greet friends from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at the funeral home and other times at the home of his parents in Morven.

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Those who are left to cherish his memory are his parents, Norma Jean and Steven Kelly of Morven and Terrell Jones of Weaverville; his sons, Wyatt and Jackson Tolliver and their mother Ashlie of Hurst, TX; his sister and brothers, Milea Gullidge of Wadesboro, Timothy Kelly (Kirsten) of Waner Robins, GA and Christopher Kelly of Greenville, NC; his brother-in-law Scott Gullidge of Wadesboro; his nieces, Emma and Aubrey Gullidge; and his grandparents, Doris Jones of Polkton, and Wayne and Linda Kelly of Morven.

He also leaves his extended family, Tony and Christie Thuleen and family, Frank Thuleen, Kay Thomas (Neal), Melanie Huneycutt, all of Polkton, Natalie (Robert) Williams and family and Connie Tucker, all of Morven, Wayne Jacobs (Sharon) of Mt. Gilead and Mary Ann Moore and family of Monroe, and his friends and work family.

He was preceded in death by family members, Taron Jones, Rebecca and Gene Moore, Lucy Thuleen, Josephine Johnson and Casey Tucker.

Frankie will be remembered for his love for his family and friends. He was always eager to learn. He enjoyed traveling and his career afforded him many opportunities to do so. While working across the country he made many lasting friendships.

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Mr. Hugh Linwood Parker, Sr.

Mr. Hugh Linwood Parker, Sr., 81, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, friend, but most of a child of God, while surrounded by his family, particularly his high school sweetheart, Mary Lib, his wife of 61 years, passed from this world to his heavenly home on Friday, February 21, 2025.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Cedar Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Mark Swaringen and Rev. Barry Byrd officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

The family will greet friends at the church on Saturday from 12:30 until 1:30 p.m. and other times at the home.

Hugh was born in the homeplace in the Burnsville community of Polkton on November 18, 1943, to Richmond Millard Parker, Sr. and Lula Mae Curran Parker. He loved that he lived in the home he was born in and being in the country tending his cows.

As a toddler Hugh moved with his family to Florence, S.C. where he spent his formative years before moving back to North Carolina to live the life that would come to impact so many people. Because Hugh lived to please God and to love others, so many family members, friends, and acquaintances have many sweet memories. One of the first memories shared about Hugh's younger years comes as Hugh, five or six years old, watching a cowboy show on television, got rather excited and shot out the TV with his B.B. gun.

It was years later when 17-year-old Hugh and his Florence crowd of friends and their water guns descended upon Sparrow Skating Rink in Scranton, that he set eyes on the woman who would become his lifelong skating partner. When Hugh graduated from high school he moved back to the homeplace in North Carolina with his parents but traveled the roads on weekends to visit with his pals and his sweetheart. Finally, in 1963, the couple married and a year later they both were born again, coming to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. This moment shaped their marriage, the family they would have, and the extended family they made through church, community, and business.

Ever wanting to show kindness and to have compassion, and always finding joy in the moments, and playing a good-hearted prank, Hugh looked forward to opportunities to help others.

He enjoyed playing ball as a young boy, either in neighborhood pick-up games, or church softball leagues. As a young man on through middle age he kept his Elvis sideburns. Hugh loved fishing and found great joy sharing a fishing pole with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In his later years Hugh continued to work as an accountant, serve in his church as a deacon and Sunday School class teacher and wherever else he was needed. As the world moved on, he continued to love gospel music and the music of the '50s, and the cowboy movies of yesteryear.

With a long history in accounting and managing finances, it is no wonder he loved a good bargain. With a passion for others, he enjoyed times he could share with others, whether it was the Gospel story, or a meal, because he loved Jesus and he loved to eat. He strived to always do right. His family believes he felt that if he did right by God, then he was doing right by his fellow man.

What Hugh loved most was the Lord and his Bible as the Word of God. It was his love for God that allowed him to love his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, as well as his extended family. This love extended to the church family, and people from all walks of life he encountered.

Hugh is survived by his wife Mary Elizabeth (Lib) Parker; his son Hugh Linwood "Woody" Parker, Jr. (Amy McAdam); his daughter Amy Dawn Parker Durham (Mike); his grandchildren Brandon (Lisa), Joshua (Shana), Megan (Dusty), Ryan, Claire, Ethan, and Sawyer; and his nine great grandchildren, Caden, Mason, Harleigh, Katelynn, Jackson, Madelyn, Makenzie, Maisie and Owen. He is also survived by his sister Betty Clark as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brothers, Richmond Millard Parker, Jr., William Ashley Parker, James Doyle Parker and Lewis Bennett Parker.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in memory of Hugh to the church's cemetery fund, Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Care of: Alice Cox, 12509 Highway 742 N, Polkton, N.C., 28135, or to Hope Pregnancy Center, P.O. Box 9, Wadesboro, N.C. 28170.

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Mrs. Barbara Gregory Greene

On Thursday, February 20, 2025, Mrs. Barbara Gregory Greene, 82, loving wife, mother, and grandmother, passed away peacefully at Richmond County Hospice Haven in Rockingham, NC.

Services were held on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, by the graveside in Anson Memorial Park with Rev. Donnie Helms officiating. The family greeted friends following the service and other times at the home.

Barbara was born September 23, 1942, in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late Charles Julian Gregory and the late Evelyn Adams Gregory. She grew up in the Little Cotton Mill Village of Wadesboro and often spoke of her childhood, walking to school with her sister, playing with her friends at the ballfield, picking cotton for a local gentleman, and growing up in Southside Baptist Church where she and her family remained a part of for many years.

She worked for many years with Zimmer Manufacturing in Wadesboro and after closing she worked at Walmart in Wadesboro. Following her employment with Walmart, she worked with Medical Specialties in Wadesboro.

Barbara dearly loved her children and grandchildren and always enjoyed the times she shared with them. She enjoyed watching Halmark movies on television, Coca Colas and Cheetos. She always made sure to have plenty of snacks for when her grandchildren visited.

Those who are left to cherish her memory are her son Stephen Greene of Wadesboro; her grandchildren, Chesley Greene (Morgan Cheek) of Winston-Salem and Ashley Layfield (Parker) of Polkton; and her nieces and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Chesley Albert Greene, by her son Warren Greene and by her sister and brothers, Peggy Pegram, Charlie Gregory and Darrell Gregory.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Anson Community Hospice, a division of Richmond County Hospice, 1119 N US 1, Rockingham, NC 28170.

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Gulledge Fire Department BBQ is Coming!

Get your appetites ready for some of the most delicious barbecue you will ever eat...the Gulledge Fire Department BBQ! Their spring event is scheduled for Saturday, March 8, from 11 a.m. until. They will serve generous portion chicken or pork plates with baked beans, slaw, rolls, home-made desserts and a drink - all for only \$13. You can also get warm or cold cartons for \$13.

The Gulledge Fire Department's address is 34 Chewning Road, Wadesboro. It is located at the intersection of Chewning Road and Dickie Little Road.

Lions Club Welcomes New Members

The Wadesboro Lions Club meets at the Papa Joe's Restaurant the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information about these meetings or becoming a member, please call Lion Jim Chandler at 910-571-1448.

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