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Obituaries

(Dean) Carpenter of Rockingham and Stephanie (Travis) Putnam of Leland, NC; 12 great-grandchildren; and her brothers and sister, Rev. Hayward (Martha) Morrison of Shelby, Gary (Carolyn) Morrison of Rockingham and Christine (Harding) Dennis of Lilesville.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. J. T. Bailey, Sr., daughters, Infant Hattie Rebecca Bailey, Infant Betty Ann Bailey and Troyene Bailey Polson and brothers and sisters, B. W. Morrison, Jackie Morrison, Dewey Morrison, Mildred McInville and Nancy Hardin.

Hattie Mae will be remembered as a woman of great faith who shared her gifts of singing and teaching with many churches in Anson County.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Richmond County Hospice, 1119 N US Hwy 1, Rockingham, NC 28379 or to Cathedral Baptist Church, 1215 Old Lilesville Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

Mr. Freddie Singleton, Sr.

Mr. Freddie Singleton, Sr. departed this life on Friday, February 27, 2015, at the Ambassador Health and Rehab Center due to declining health (dementia and diabetes).

A private family viewing

(Ulysses) and Sandra Singleton; grandchildren, Frederick Singleton, Latrice Lyons (Antoine), Albert Bennett, Jr. (Mary), LaSaundra Brown, Antoine Craft, Felicia Brown, Kevin Craft, Johnathan Price and Nathaniel Price. And he will be remembered by Charles Ford, Sr. (Carol), Sheila Freeman (Gary) and Charles Ford, Jr.

Freddie was born in Sumter, SC on July 25, 1926, to the late David and Mary Hennicks Singleton. He was preceded in death by his wife Ada Ford Singleton and his brother Matthew Singleton. He is survived by his sister Suzanna Odom Harrison of Florence, SC.

Freddie joined the Army at a young age and was a World War II veteran. During his working life he was a truck driver and traveled all over the United States and Canada. He was well known and well liked among his fellow drivers. His original birth name "Friendly" fittingly described his personality. Freddie lived by the motto "Everybody is Somebody," which greatly influenced his children.

He was a long time member of First Baptist Church on Sikes Avenue in Wadesboro. He regularly attended service, although he was hearing-impaired. His family believes he learned to read lips.

In 1948 Freddie married Eva Solomon and to this union was born six children. Later he married Ada Huntley Ford and was like a father to her son Charles and grandfather to Charles's children, Sheila and Charles, Jr. He will live forever in the memory of his family.

He is survived by his children, Mary Craft (Anthony), Freddie Mae Bennett (Albert, Sr.), Freddie, Jr., Evelyn Brown, Joanne Singleton-Price

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Mrs. Hattie Mae Morrison Bailey

Another Child of God has gone home. Mrs. Hattie Mae Morrison Bailey, 92, died Thursday, March 5, 2015, at Richmond Pines Nursing Home in Hamlet.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, March 8, 2015, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Randy Swaringen officiating. Interment followed in Eastview Cemetery.

Hattie Mae was born February 12, 1923, in Chesterfield County, SC, a daughter of the late Benjamin Newton and Eva Ozella Kelly Morrison. She was retired from Wade Manufacturing Company with 42 plus years of service and was a member of Cathedral Baptist Church.

Surviving are her children, Judy (Allen) Skipper of Lilesville and Jimmy Bailey of Wadesboro; her grandchildren, Janet Jordan of Chesterfield, Jerold Polson, Jr. of Cheraw, Christopher (Joanna) Polson of Belgum, Jennifer



Mr. William Thomas "Bill" Ballard, Jr.

Mr. William Thomas "Bill" Ballard, Jr., 79, died March 6, 2015, in Charlotte. A memorial service was held on Monday, March 9, 2015, at Providence United Methodist Church.

Born in Greenville, SC to Tom and Sue Ballard, Bill was raised, with siblings Ann Lynch and Bob Ballard, in Polkton, a place Bill always adored. For at least 34 years he worked side by side with his dad in Ballard's Store, including as an adult on frequent Saturdays. He was a Mason 32nd degree and member of the Scottish Rite. His civic service included Jury Commissioner for Mecklenburg County.

Bill belonged to Providence Methodist Church for 47 years. He also was a journalist. His career included serving as news director for WBTV. Under his leadership the station was the first news room in the country to be computerized. In earlier years he had been a reporter, and his WBTV work included the "Carolina Camera" series.

Bill was a member of the UNC-Chapel Hill Class of 1957. After Carolina he served in the US Army and was stationed in Germany. He was a member of Company D, Third Infantry Division, also known as the Rock of the Marne. In later years Bill and Dee enjoyed Army reunions, the Charlotte Shag Club and extensive travel, including the Caribbean, Germany and Florida. All great places, none was loved more than the family beach house in Atlantic Beach, NC. It truly was a life well lived.

After a marriage of more than 56 years, Bill is survived by his beloved wife Dee and four children, Stephanie Cole (Phil Kretz), Carolyn Richardson (Mike), Dottie Sue Fowler (Tim) and Tom Ballard (Jennifer). Pops, as we lovingly called him, is survived by 11 grandchildren, Lindsay Echols (Jason), Leslie Cole (Matt Wiesenthal), Nicholas Richardson (Stephanie Wertman), Rachel Richardson, Caitlin Richardson, Garrett Fowler, Clint Fowler, Joseph Fowler, William Ballard, Matthew Ballard and Emma Ballard. The great-grandchildren are Jameson Echols and Hollie Echols.

For those who wish to make memorial gifts, Bill's family suggests gifts to the charity of one's choice or to the Chipley Bible Class of P.U.M.C.

Online condolences may be shared at www.tallentfuneralservice.com.

Civitan Club Lucky Hot Dog Lunch is Tuesday, March 17

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the Wadesboro Civitans Club! The annual Lucky Hot Dog Lunch will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at the Scout Hut. The event begins at 11 a.m. and ends at 1:30 p.m. The grilling is done at the Firemen's Training center.

For only \$6 per plate diners get two grilled all-beef hot dogs with trimmings and condiments, potato chips and dessert. Patrons who choose to dine in also have their choice of homemade desserts and beverages. Drinks available include tea, lemonade, or water. Pick-up and takeout orders are available. Drinks are not included in delivery orders.

If anyone wishes to arrange for delivery of multiple orders, please call the receptionist at Martin's Furniture at 704-694-3185 before 4 p.m. on Monday, March 16 so schedules can be made in advance for delivery. Civitans offer free delivery on orders for six or more lunches anywhere in Anson County, and for smaller groups within a mile of the Civitan Scout Hut.

Come enjoy a delicious lunch, knowing that the proceeds benefit Special Olympics. If the proceeds exceed what is needed for Special Olympics, the funds are added to the Civitan Scholarship fund for Anson County students. This fundraiser is a long-standing tradition of the Wadesboro Civitans to benefit the community.

Operation Medicine Drop is March 21

The Anson County Sheriff's Office and Anson County Partnership for Children will be holding Operation Medicine Drop on Saturday March 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Wadesboro Food Lion. All citizens needing to get rid of old medications please stop by so that they can be disposed of safely and responsibly.

Living with Diabetes Workshop

Living with or caring for someone with Diabetes can affect your quality of life. The six-week Living Healthy with Diabetes workshop is designed to help you better manage your Diabetes and live a happier, healthier life! You don't have to stop doing the things you love to do. The key to getting the most out of life is learning to manage your symptoms. No matter your situation, Living Healthy with Diabetes can assist you in taking control.

This workshop will give the support you need to find practical ways to deal with your stress, discover better nutrition and exercise choices, and learn better ways to talk with your doctor and family about your health.

The Living Healthy with Diabetes classes will be held at the Grace Senior Center, located at 199 Highway 742 North in Wadesboro. This is a six week class that is scheduled for every Thursday, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. starting April 2 through May 7.

Class size is limited and registration is required. Call Rita Short at 704-694-6217 and start living healthy!

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After forty-two years of practice in Wadesboro, I have decided to retire effective April 30, 2015.

Until then, records may be picked up or requests made for transfer of records to other dentists by calling 704-694-5707.

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