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## Obituaries

#### Mr. Harding Richard "HR" **Dennis**

Mr. Harding Richard "HR" Dennis, 91, died Friday, March 11, 2016, at his home

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at Olivet United Methodist Church with Rev. Kay Frye officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Harding was born September 1, 1924, in Anson County, a son of the late Harrison Richard Dennis and the late Pearl Estelle Rorie Dennis. He was a graduate of Ansonville High School and a veteran of the United States Army, having served during World War II. He was a life-long member of Olivet United Methodist Church where he served for many years as a Sunday school teacher and secretary of the men's class.

Harding was a farmer for 53 years and also raised Registered Hereford Cattle for 50 years. He was a member of both the North Carolina and Anson Cattlemen's Associations. He was among the first to sod plant crops in Anson County and was the Conservation Farmer of the Year. He served as a judge for Anson County Board of Elections for 32 years, and was a member of Farm Bureau.

Surviving are his wife of 66 years, Christine Morrison Dennis of the home; his children, Rickie (Pat) Dennis of Charlotte, Ben Dennis of Jacksonville, FL, Jilla (Billy) Gathings of Wadesboro and Cherri (Kevin) Dudley of Fuquay Varina:nine grandchildren;16 great-grandchildren; his sisters and brothers, Martha Goodwin and Wilma Dennis, both of Lilesville, H. A. Dennis of Wadesboro and Lindbergh Dennis of LaFayette. his sister-in-law Joyce Dennis of Lilesville; and his ward Morrison of Shelby Vickie Summerville and and Gary Morrison of Margaret Ann Copley. Rockingham.

In addition to his parents, Harding was preceded in death by his brothers, Julian and Everett

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Olivet United Methodist Church, 3788 Stanback Ferry Rd., Lilesvile, NC 28091.

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

#### Miss Barbara **Ann Edwards**

Miss Barbara Ann Edwards, 70, died Thursday, March 10, 2016, at Meadowview Assisted Living.

Graveside services were held on Saturday, March 12, 2016, in the Olive Branch Cemetery Marshville.

Barbara was born in Union County on October 7, 1945, a daughter of the late Martin Bunyan and Betty Gaddy Edwards. For most of her life Barbara lived simply at home with her parents. Following their deaths she eventually found a loving home at Meadowview Assisted Living where she and her many baby dolls lived happily for the past eight years. Barbara was a prolific crocheter, having made countless baby outfits, booties and blankets for friends and family.

Survivors include her cousins and one special aunt, Lib Edwards of Peachland.

Leavitt Funeral Home in charge arrangements.

#### Mr. William Robert "Bobby" Gaddy, III

William Robert "Bobby" Gaddy, III, 64, died Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at Ambassador Health and Rehab in Wadesboro.

Memorial services were held on Friday, March 11, 2016, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Larry King officiating. Bobby was born in

Anson County on July 31, 1951, a son of the late William Robert Gaddy Jr. and Clara Louise Wilson Gaddy. He was retired from API, Inc. as a security guard.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Gaddy of the home; three stepchildren, Ronnie Parrish of Midland, TX, Melonie Belcher of Kildare, TX and Steven Par-Morven; brother-in-law Don Summerville of Morven; and several nieces and nephews including Schaun Gaddy of

In addition to his parents, Bobby was preceded in death by two sisters,

Leavitt Funeral Home was in charge of arrange-Online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.

#### Mr. Jack Lancaster

Mr. Jack Lancaster, 82, of Norwood, NC and Okeechobee, FL passed away on March 4, 2016, at the W.G. Hefner Medical Center Liberty Lane Hospice House in Salisbury.

Memorial services will be private.

Born December 25, 1933, in Woodruff, SC, Jack was the son of Boud and Leatha Crowe Lancaster. He was a proud veteran of the US Air Force, and was retired after many years with Alltel Communications in Wadesboro.

Survivors include his beloved wife and sweetheart of 47 years, Genelle Moore Lancaster of the home; his daughter Licia (Neal) Brandt of Indian Land, SC; two granddaughters and their families, Jessica (Allen) Glover of Richmond Hill, GA and Karen (Jeremy) O'Hare of Aurora, NE; two greatgrandchildren, Anna Grace and Elliot Glover; sister Shirley Smith of Enoree, SC; and a brother, L. G. Lancaster of Chesnee, SC.

In addition to his parents, Jack was preceded in death by a son, James Driggers in 2013 and four brothers, R. P. Crowe (Jeanette), Gene Lancaster (Valerie), Cecil Lancaster and Charles Lancaster (Louise).

Jack loved life, traveling the United States in their motorhome, enjoying good times with their many traveling friends, and soaking up the beauty of Lake Tillery from his own porch.

The family offers a special thank you to the Veterans Liberty Lane Hospice House for their loving care and support in his last days on this earth. In lieu of flowers, me-

morials may be made to the W. G. Hefner Medical Center, Liberty Lane Hospice House, 1601 Brenner Ave., Salisbury, NC 28144. Leavitt Funeral Home is

serving the Lancaster fam-Online condolences be made may leavittfh.com.

#### Mrs. Margaret **Tucker Shaver**

Mrs. Margaret Tucker Shaver, 88, died Thursday, March 10, 2016, at McWhorter House at Hospice of Union County in Monroe.

Funeral services were held on Monday, March 14,2016, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Kaye Fry officiating.

Interment followed in Forestville United Methodist Church Cemetery in Lilesville.

Margaret was born March 24, 1927, in Anson County, a daughter of the late Lee Tucker and the late Kate Trexler Tucker. She retired from the general office of Family Dollar, Inc. Surviving are her daugh-

ter, Linda Shaver Edwards-Milliken (Gary) of Pawleys Island, SC; her grandchildren, Emily Diane Jamison (fiancé Christy Greer) and Jon Michael Jamison (Amy), all of Charlotte, Janie Eliza-Lawson-Palvado (David) of Pawleys Island and Rebecca Danielle Nelson of Mt. Pleasant, SC; greatgrandchildren, Joshua Lawson, Jack Palvado, Price Jamison, Charlie Jamison and Laurel Jamison; her brother and sisters. Ann Tucker Crotts (Robert) of Lincolnton, "Buddy" Tucker (Hazel) of Greensboro and Frances Tucker Starling of Wadesboro.; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister and Geraldine brothers, Birmingham, Tucker James Tucker, Robert L. "Pete" Tucker and Benny

The family would also like to thank Patsy Jamison (Ronnie), special friend and family member, for all the care, love and support she gave to Margaret and the entire family over the years.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Union County, 700 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Monroe, NC The

arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. maybe condolences made at leavittfh.com.

#### Mrs. Anna **Christine Lowder** Thompson

Mrs. Anna Christine Lowder Thompson, went home to be with her Lord on Thursday March 10, Her funeral service

was held on Sunday March 13, 2016, at Wadesboro Church of God. Interment followed at Anson Memorial Park. Anna was born in An-

sonville on August 10, 1925, at the Old Hotel to the late Guilford Martin Mary Meachum Lowder. She was a lifelong res-

ident of Anson County, graduating from the first twelfth grade class of Lilesville High School. She married the late Benjamin Franklin "Buddy" Thompson on October

THE EXPRESS • March 16, 2016 • Page 3 26, 1945, together making a home for their three children and working hard to provide a good life for them. Anna was a loving mother who was always very active working as a CNA in local skilled nursing centers and in private duty for the last 30 years. She enjoyed life, especially jumping the waves at the beach, her family and friends, working in her yard, good food and good company.

Anna was a committed Christian, trusting Christ at a young age and being baptized at First Baptist Church. She was a longtime member of Wade Baptist and in recent years, Wadesboro Church of God. She loved worship and gospel music.

Anna is survived by her three children, Gary Thompson, Barbara T. Cave (Roger) and Debbie T. Smith (Felix); grandchildren, Dane Greg Cave Thompson, Mark Cave (Lynette), (Helen), Roger Cave (Kristen), Wilbur "Chip" Streater Anna Christine (Tina). 'Crissi" Streater, Shannon S. Keziah and Julie S. Guido; great grandchildren, Will Cave, Mattie Cave, Ethan Cave, Noah Cave, Alex Petzke, Christina Petzke, Eddie Petzke, Drew Keziah, Emma Guido, Grace Guido and Olivia Guido and Christian Emerson; sisters, Louise L. Leach, Connie L. Diggs and Frances L. Crump; sisters in law, Mildred Lowder, Margie Lowder and Virginia "Jimmie" T. Lupton; brother in laws, Grady Thompson and James Hough; and a host of nieces and nephews.

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