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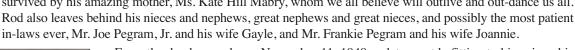
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### Mr. Ronald "Rod" Bennett Mabry

In the early afternoon of Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016, Mr. Ronald "Rod" Bennett Mabry, surrounded by the ladies he loves and adores most, left this earth to walk through those Pearly Gates of Heaven to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, his father Mr. Luke Mabry, his sister Miss Susan Mabry, and to discover the most glorious fishing holes heaven has to offer.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at Bright Spot Baptist Church in Monroe. Burial followed at Bennett Cemetery in Wadesboro.

Rod is survived by his devoted wife of 43 years, Mrs. Sandra Pegram Mabry, whom he adored more than she'll ever know; his daughter Candice Lynn Mabry, the absolute apple of his eye and duplication of him; his "sis" and rock, Mrs. Katrenia Mabry Davis (David Davis); little brother "Dawg" B. Risden Mabry (Cynthia Mabry), who also shares Rod's love for jokes and "stirring the pot." Rod is also survived by his amazing mother, Ms. Kate Hill Mabry, whom we all believe will outlive and out-dance us all.





From the day he was born, November 11, 1949, a date most befitting to him given his love for his service to his country, Rod was full of life and adventure. From the time he began squirrel hunting with his dog Lady to the nights he would sneak in through his sister's bedroom window after curfew, Rod was ready for adventure, and adventure is what he set off to find. After graduation Rod volunteered for the Air Force with goals of fighting in the Vietnam War. Uncle Sam thought differently and sent him to Alaska. Alaska was perfect for him, given his love of cold weather. He left his high school sweetheart behind with promises of marriage - a promise he kept upon his return from service - and on August 27, 1972, he made Miss Sandra Pegram his wife.

Rod continued his thrill seeking on a more local basis once he was back home, going to work with Pee Dee Electric, a company which became extended family to all of us during his 42 years working alongside everyone there. Rod loved being a lineman, working outdoors, and challenging his mind and body every day. If he wasn't working he was fishing. Rod loved fishing, hunting, and was especially proud of his stews, chili and spaghetti. He was a great cook.

In 1985 we nearly lost Rod. A severe car crash involving an 18 wheeler almost took his life, but ever the

fighter Rod pulled through. Although the accident ended his days as a lineman, he was still able to continue his career with Pee Dee. After the accident Rod's faith grew immensely, however his desire to express his opinions never waivered. For years Rod was known by his Dodge truck that sported many bumper stickers on his tailgate proudly displaying exactly what he thought. But in November of 1989 his greatest adventure began, fatherhood.

proudly displaying exactly what he thought. But in November of 1989 his greatest adventure began, fatherhood. Through the years Rod faced tough obstacles, from his wreck to the last four years as he battled ALS, but Rod always continued to fight, and always gave God the credit for his strength. All of us who knew Rod have asked the same question, how can so much happen to one man, and in the end the answer is clear - God used Rod as a tool to inspire all of us to stay strong, keep God first, and love others even when we may not act very lovingly. So today, keep these memories with you and share his testimony with all you meet. Remember these

few things only Rod can deliver: "You lika dey soup?!" "mmm-gouwah" "vomanos" and "Don't be late!"

We would like to extend our most sincere and heartfelt thanks to all of our family and friends who have been there for Rod and us throughout the years. You can never imagine the happiness and gratitude you gave Rod. We ask instead of flowers that you please make donations to his beloved church, Bright Spot Baptist Church, PO Box 3304, Wingate, NC 28174 or to the NC Chapter of the ALS Association at webnc.alsa.org, or the Paralyzed veterans of America at pyg org

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Morgan & Son Funeral Home served the family of Mr. Mabry.

# **BBB Announces Annual Dirty Dozen List** of Worst Rated Businesses in 2015

Collection agencies, towing services and movers top Better Business Bureau's bad list

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) has announced its annual "Dirty Dozen" list of the top 12 area businesses with the most unanswered and unresolved complaints in 2015. Last year, consumers filed 14,876 complaints with BBB against businesses in the Southern Piedmont area of N.C. and S.C., a nine percent increase over the previous year.

"In 2015, BBB resolved a record-high 91 percent of complaints because the majority of businesses worked with their customers and with us to address customer issues," said BBB President Tom Bartholomy. "Unfortunately though, there are businesses that don't respond to resolve complaints at all, and those businesses are the ones that have made our Dirty Dozen list."

Three of the 12 companies on this list are collection agencies that are allegedly using aggressive collection tactics," said Bartholomy. "Complainants allege that these tactics may violate the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act."

Two businesses on BBB's 2015 Dirty Dozen list are 'repeat offenders' that have made previous Dirty Dozen lists.

The top 12 businesses with the most unanswered or unresolved complaints from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 are:

1) Barron, Gibson & Phillips LLC (BBB Grade F) - Complainants from 29 states allege that this Charlotte collection agency is using questionable practices to collect old debts that may violate the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the statute of limitations on collections. Complainants allege that they were threatened with being arrested if they didn't make immediate payment. Barron, Gibson & Phillips has 15 unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and 82 total complaints in the last 36 months. Repeat offender: This is the third time that Barron, Gibson & Phillips LLC has made BBB's list.

2) Little Tiny Waist (BBB Grade F) - Complainants from 30 states and Canada allege that this Charlotte-based women's apparel business failed to fulfill orders or to provide refunds to customers who did not receive the merchandise that they ordered. Little Tiny Waist has 13 unanswered and unresolved complaints in 2015 and 68 total complaints in the last 36 months. Repeat offender: This is the second time that Little Tiny Waist has made BBR's list

3) Professional Appliance Service (BBB Grade F) - Complainants from nine counties (Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, Cabarrus, Rowan, Union and York) allege that Charlotte-based Professional Appliance Services collected money for parts in advance and then did not return to install the parts. Complaints also focus on the quality of the work performed. Professional Appliance Service has eight unanswered and unresolved complaints in 2015 and 12 total complaints in the last 36 months.

4) United Towing, Inc. (BBB Grade F) - Complainants allege that Charlotte-based United Towing is engaging in predatory towing and booting of vehicles in Charlotte's trendiest areas including Dilworth and Elizabeth. United Towing has six unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and 22 total complaints in the last 36 months.

5) AFSCO (BBB Grade F) - Complainants allege that this Charlotte-based collection agency is violating the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act by using hostile and threatening techniques. AFSCO has five unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and six total complaints in the last 36 months.
6) 5 Star Movers (BBB Grade F) - Complainants allege that this Charlotte-based mov-

ing service damaged their furnishings and they have not been able to get the company to pay for the damage. 5 Star Movers has five unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and seven total complaints in the previous 36 months.

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8) Skyline Towing (BBB Grade F) – Complainants allege that Charlotte-based Skyline Towing is engaging in predatory towing and booting of vehicles in Charlotte. The owners of Skyline Towing also own Mathis Towing. Skyline Towing has three unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and seven total complaints in the last 36 months.

9) Lightning Bolt Movers (BBB Grade F) - Complainants allege that this Indian Trailbased moving service required them to pay an advance deposit of \$200 to \$400 to secure their move dates. However, Lightning Bolt Movers allegedly did not return to fulfill the moves and the complainants have not been able to get their money refunded. Lightning Bolt Movers has three unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and four total complaints in the previous 36 months.

**10)** Financial Management Solutions (BBB Grade F) - Complainants allege that this Fort Mill-based collections agency is using threatening collections tactics that may violate the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. Financial Management Solutions has three unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and four total complaints in the previous 36 months.

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jobs. Odell has three unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and three total complaints in the previous 36 months.

12) R & I Appliance Doctor Inc. (BBB Grade F) - Com-

12) R & L Appliance Doctor, Inc. (BBB Grade F) - Complaints filed against this Belmont-based appliance repair service focus on the quality of work performed. R & L has three unanswered or unresolved complaints in 2015 and three total complaints in the previous 36 months.

"The easiest way that consumers can protect themselves against bad businesses is to check a company out with BBB, before they sign a contract," said Bartholomy. "It's fast, easy and free." Consumers can check out businesses online at <a href="https://www.bbb.org">www.bbb.org</a> or they can call BBB (toll-free in NC and SC) at 1-877-317-7236.

#### Wadesboro to Hold Special Budget Meetings in April

The Town of Wadesboro Town Council will be holding special meetings each Tuesday in April to discuss the 2016-2017 Budget. The meetings will be held at the Town of Wadesboro Conference Room at 5 p.m. Below is a list of the meeting dates:

• Tuesday, April 12 • Tuesday, April 19 • Tuesday, April 26



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