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Mr. Carmie **Lester Dennis**

Mr. Carmie Lester Dennis, 75, passed away on March 21, 2015, at the Monarch Assisted Living

Center in Saco, Maine. Graveside services were held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at Lilesville Cemetery with Dr. Robert L. Hunter, Jr. officiating.

Carmie was born October 24, 1939, in the Exway Community of Richmond County, North Carolina, a son of Carmie Lee and Mavis Hutchinson Dennis. He graduated high school, and served with honor in the United States Air Force. His duty as a cryptographer in Morocco led to awards and commendations for devotion and meritorious conduct.

Following his tour of duty with the Air Force he moved to New York. He moved to Boston, and after years of working from the very bottom of the ladder he eventually succeeded becoming Regional Director for Brunschwig and Fils, a world renowned supplier of fine fabrics and home furnishings for the interior design industry. During his 35 year career at Brunschwig and Fils, his dedication and accomplishments remain unmatched to this day.

He guided and encouraged countless upcoming designers throughout his career, and the Junior League of Boston show houses were clearly an indication of his skill as a mentor and superb salesman. Carmie's success and influence is clearly evident in the lives of so many he touched with his skills, intuition, hard work and constant determination. There will never be another Carmie in the industry.

Carmie was an avid reader and his knowledge of history, especially Russian, was remarkable. He was intrigued and fascinated by all civilizations and their culture. This curiosity enhanced his ability to help designers by knowing firsthand all the elements of design from past to present. He never stopped researching and learning to even the last days of his employment at Brunschwig. He also spent many years volunteering his time at the Congregational Church in Brighton Center and became a Deacon while he served the

Heaven

community there.

Surviving brother and sister-in-law, James M. and Marian Brock Dennis of Wadesboro; his long-time friend Paul Noel of Wells, Maine; his nieces and nephews and their families along with an aunt and numerous cousins. In additions to his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters Pansy Dennis Munno and Peggy Dennis Cloud.

donations Memorial may be made in Carmie's honor to the Animal Rescue League and Humane Society of your choice.

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

Mrs. Emma Coppedge **Hamilton Gilmore**

Mrs. Emma Coppedge Hamilton Gilmore, 91, died Wednesday, April 1, at Ambassador 2015. Health and Rehab in Wadesboro.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 3, 2015, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with her daughter, Rev. Jane Livingston and Rev. Ralph Tice officiating. Interment followed in Hamilton's Crossroad's Baptist Church Cemetery in Marshville.

Emma was born June 3, 1923, in Anson County, a daughter of the late George Patrick and Laura Jane Vaughn Coppedge. She was retired from West Knitting Mills. Surviving are her daugh-

ters, Jane Livingston and Ranelle Williams, both of Wadesboro; her grandchildren, Rick Honeycutt of Monroe, Jill Freeman of Albemarle, Richard Williams of Peachland, Brian Williams and Jeffery Williams, both of Wadesboro, Mike Womack of Polkton and Lisa Womack of Marshville; eight greatgrandchildren; two greatgreat-grandchildren; and her sister, Mary (J.T.) Hildreth of Peachland.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, Boyce Lee Hamilton and Clifton Leroy Gilmore and her daughter, Alice Womack.

Memorials may made to the charity of the donor's choice.

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Infant Japarris Jamar Harrington, Jr.

Infant Japarris Jamar Harrington, Jr., son of Allison Lashea Hammond and Japarris Jamar Harrington, entered this life and was es-

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corted by the angels to Saturday, March 28, 2015.

Graveside services were held on Thursday, April 2, 2015, at Cross Roads AME Zion Church Cemewith Apostle Leonard Williams officiat-In addition to his par-

ents, he is survived by his big sister, Parris Harrington of the home; matergrandparents, Jonathan and Alice Hammond Clegg of Wadespaternal grandparents. Quentin and Sovenia Bowman of Wadesboro; maternal great-grandparents, Maggie "Lil" Hammond of Marshville, Rosa Lee Forte and Robert Harris, both of Wadesboro; paternal great-grandparents, Linda Harrington of Wadesboro and Mary Clark of Polkton; paternal great-great-grandmother, Christine Parham of Morven; and and uncles. aunts Shadonna Harris, Nicole Hammond, Corticka Hammond and Jaquaris Smith, all of Wadesboro, Penola (Jonathan) Spencer of Candor, Summer Clegg and Marick Clegg, both of Aberdeen and Jamonica Smith of

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Durham.

Mrs. Mary Malissa **Ratliff Burnette**

Mrs. Mary Malissa Ratliff Burnette of Columbia, SC died March 21, 2015, with her family by her side. She was 87. A memorial service

will be held at a later date Morven Methodist Church.

Born December 12, 1927, in Morven, Mrs. Burnette was the daughter of the late Charles Edward and Mary Katherine Ratliff. She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Dr. Harvey L. Burnette.

Mrs. Burnette graduated from Morven High School in 1944 and Greensboro College in 1948 with a bachelor's degree where she earned top honors. She later continued graduate studies in guidance counseling at Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She reared five girls in her rural hometown of Morven during the 1950s before the family moved to Bowling Green, Ohio in 1960, then to Columbia in 1968. Mrs. Burnette taught at Hand Middle School and Julia Bates School.

Throughout her life Mrs. Burnette was devoted to her family and to the education of her daughters and grandchil-She cherished dren. friendships both old and new and especially valued

reunions with Greensboro College classmates. She will be most remembered for her gentle spirit, tolerance of others and gener-

ous heart.

She was a member of Washington Street United Methodist Church in Columbia where she was a longtime member of the Holroyd Class and enjoyed

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EDWARD FRANKLIN MILLS

January 15, 1962 - April 5, 2015

Eddie Mills, 53, died of liver failure in Wadesboro, NC, early on Easter Morning. He was a good brother, a loyal son,

Eddie was born with Down's Syndrome. He was a happy and gentle soul who loved people and was loved in return.

Eddie loved church, music, professional wrestling, and being in hospitals, not necessarily in that order. He loved the hospitals because of the special attention he received from nurses and staff. He often

Eddie was also an active and regular participant in the Special Olympics. He was an avid bowler and swimmer. In his youth, he loved to hit plastic baseballs with his brothers though he didn't care too much for playing in the field.

grumbled when he was released and protested when he was not admitted.

A lifelong Episcopalian, Eddie loved church for the singing and ritual. He routinely greeted the choir and priest with handshakes and high-fives during the processional and recessional.

parents, he also attended church with his caregivers in Southern Pines. At times in his life, he would cross himself at meals. At others, he would mumble "Amen" throughout church services. Eddie was really multi-denominational. Eddie loved holidays, especially Christmas and was a life-long believer of Santa

Though Eddie regularly attended Calvary Episcopal Church in Wadesboro with his

Claus, much to the chagrin of several mall Santas. He was fortunate to receive calls from the North Pole every December 24. Eddie enjoyed exploring. He was often tracked down by Walmart security guards

the pro shop of an upscale golf course while attempting to follow his brothers and cousins on a golf outing. As a young man, he went to He's Not Here in Chapel Hill with his brother and drank a cold beer, a tale he often repeated. Eddie is survived by his father and mother, Judge Fetzer and Penny Mills of Wadesboro, his brothers Fetzer, Jr. (Becky), Thomas (Jenae) and his children Jasper, Lucy and Atticus, and Smithson (Kathy) and his children Sophie and Duncan. He is

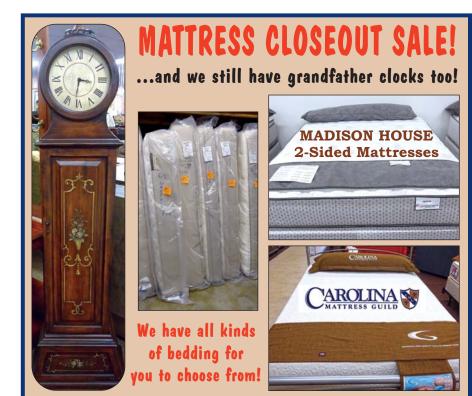
while on outings with his group home family. He also once showed up unannounced at

also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. Eddie spent his adult life under the nurture and loving care of the staff and employees of group homes and a vocational center in Southern Pines, NC. The family expresses their deep appreciation for these special people who encouraged Eddie to be

the best he could be and to love him generously, a love that was fully reciprocated.

A memorial service will be held at Calvary Episcopal Church where Eddie was baptized and confirmed on Tuesday, April 7 at 12 noon. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, make donations to Calvary Episcopal Church, Wadesboro, NC, 308 E. Wade Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170 or Eastview Cemetery Trust, c/o Russell Sikes, Plank Road Realty, 209 E. Wade Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

Leavitt Funeral Home of Wadesboro is serving the family. Online condolences may be made at www.leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.



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