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## Mrs. Jewel Creighton James

Mrs. Jewel Creighton James, 78, died Saturday, April 25, 2015, at her home.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2015, by the graveside in Anson Memorial Park with Rev. Barry Gerald officiating. Jewel was born January 22, 1937, in Richmond County, a daughter of the late James and Virginia Mae Baynard Creighton. She had worked as a private duty worker with elderly patients.

She was preceded in

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death by her son Frank Harris James in 2007, and is survived by her cousins and their families.

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

### Mrs. Frances Barker Vernon

Mrs. Frances Barker Vernon, 93, died Saturday, April 25, 2015, at White Oak Manor in Waxhaw.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Carl Dumford and Rev. Stephen Ratliff. Interment followed in Chatham Hills Memorial Park in Cheraw.

Frances was born August 4, 1921 in Yatesville, GA, the daughter of the late Thomas Alva and Kate Blassingame Barker. She attended both West Georgia Junior College and Georgia State College for Women and later graduated from Draughn School of Business in Atlanta.

She was an active member of First Presbyterian Church, Wadesboro where she had been a member of the choir for more than 35 years, the Presbyterian Women and served as an Elder and Sunday school teacher.

She worked with Moran D. McLendon, Attorney at Law and J. B. Watson, CPA, and later joined her husband in his business, Vernon Realty. She attended the Realtors Institute in Chapel Hill. She especially enjoyed helping young couples find their first home. She was a charter member of Anson County Hospital Auxiliary and a member of the Winslow Bridge Club.

Frances enjoyed playing bridge, working crossword puzzles, reading, music concerts and traveling. Time spent with family, especially her grandchildren, greatgrandchildren and close friends and neighbors were treasured.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, George Coleman Vernon, Jr., infant daughter, Susan, and her brothers, Thomas A. Barker, Jr. and James B. Barker.

Surviving are her daughter Patricia "Pat" (Doug) Thompson of Waxhaw; her grandchildren, Doug Thompson, Jr. (Leigh) of Charlotte and Melissa Frances

# Free Groceries with Mobile Food Pantry Next Wednesday

The Mobile Food Pantry and CMC Mobile Health Unit will be at Peachland United Methodist Church (19 Allen Street) on Wednesday, May 6, from 11 a.m. to noon. Be sure to bring your own bags, boxes or carts to carry your food. Do not arrive before 9:30 a.m. If it is raining the day of or before the delivery, it will be canceled. If you have not yet done so, bring proof of your income to register. You can only pick up food for yourself and one other registered household.

This event is sponsored by Anson Crisis Ministry and local United Methodist, Baptist, Apostolic, and Presbyterian Churches.

Interested in volunteering? Call Rev. Angel Christ at Peachland United Methodist Church (704) 272-8124 or Rev. Cindy Lunsford (828) 891-2753.

# Anson Animal Shelter Needs Volunteers, Would You Like to Help?

The Animal Shelter depends on the help of volunteers to ensure that animal residents receive love and care. More volunteers will also help relieve the workload on staff which can result in more time for resident animals to be adopted before they are euthanized (put to sleep). Please consider volunteering. For more information on helping, call 704-994-2738.

Anson County Animal Shelter is listed on *Petfinder.com*. This is a searchable national database of pets available for adoption that includes a description and photo. All the animals that are up for adoption are listed and have a picture. Just go to *Petfinder.com* and search for any Anson County town or zip code.

A rescue from Animal Shelter can bring lots of happiness and love into any home...and you will make the animal happy too! It's a win-win.

And remember, older animals need a home and love too!

# Time is Running Out to Get Covered Through the Affordable Care Act

The February 15 deadline to sign up for health insurance through the Affordable Care Act has passed, but Legal Aid of North Carolina's health care navigators can still help many uninsured or underinsured North Carolinians get quality, affordable health coverage during special enrollment periods.

North Carolinians subject to a fine on their 2014 taxes for not having health insurance might still be eligible to enroll in an affordable plan during a special enrollment period that runs through April 30. To be eligible, consumers must confirm that they are subject to the fine and were previously unaware of it.

"Missy" Thompson Evans of Waxhaw; twin great-grandchildren, Delaney Trev and Thompson of Charlotte; her sisters-in-law, Louise H. Barker of Marietta. GA and Margie Vernon Wright of Elizabeth City; beloved and many nieces and nephews and their families.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, Music Ministry, P.O. Box 351, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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to the fine and were previously unaware of it. Legal Aid of North Carolina's health care navigators are available for one-on-one meetings with consumers across the state to help them avoid the fine by enrolling in an affordable health insurance plan. "We want all North Carolinians subject to the fine to know that we have navigators in their area who can help them," said Jennifer Simmons, director of Legal Aid's navigator project. "They can still get quality, affordable health coverage now. We are encouraging them to check out their options before the April 30 deadline. Time is running out!"

North Carolinians may also qualify for a special enrollment period if they experienced a qualifying life event, such as losing coverage, getting married, having a baby, moving to a different coverage area and becoming a citizen, among others.

Consumers who enroll in health coverage during a special enrollment period are eligible to receive financial assistance to lower their premiums. Last enrollment period, 92 percent of North Carolinians who renewed plans or signed up through the Marketplace received financial assistance to help make their plans truly affordable.

North Carolinians who think they might be eligible to enroll during a special enrollment period can schedule appointments with health care navigators by calling toll-free 1-855-733-3711 or visiting the Get Covered Connector, at *www.connector.getcoveredamerica.org.* To find out if they have experienced a qualifying life event, they can visit the HHS screener (*www.healthcare.gov/screener*) and answer a few questions.

Legal Aid of North Carolina is a statewide, nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services in civil matters to low-income people in order to ensure equal access to justice and remove legal barriers to economic opportunity. To learn more, visit *www.legalaidnc.org* or Facebook and Twitter.

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