#### Aware? Or Beware!

This is a release from Mary Lynn Railton at the Anson County Health Department: We are created male and female, sexual creations, created by the act of sexual intercourse. Sexual health and behavior is part of every person's life. Our behavioral choices are based upon our knowledge, our environment, our belief system and our culture. Risky sexual behavior results in unplanned pregnancy and the spread of sexually transmitted infections (STI's), including HIV.

Now we know that the STI called the Human Papilloma Virus causes cancers that can be debilitating and fatal years after the initial infection. At the Anson County Health Department we have a vaccine to inhibit the infection and spread of this virus. It is recommended for males, ages 11-21, and to females, ages 11-26.

The Health Department's Family Planning Program is dedicated to providing education and resources for the promotion of healthy attitudes and behaviors. Our Mission Statement is "To protect our environment, prevent the spread of diseases and promote the health and wellbeing of all the citizens of Anson County."

Call the Health Department today at 704-694-5188 and make a Family Planning appointment for a physical examination and counseling. Reduce your risks by being informed. Live long and be healthy.



#### Mr. Brackie E. Hill

Mr. Brackie E. Hill, husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather of Surfside Beach, SC passed away on Monday, June 20, 2016, at his residence.

Funeral Services will be held at 12 noon on Thursday, June 23, 2016, at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Morgan & Son Funeral Home.

Mr. Hill was born in Anson County to the late Horace C. and Hallie Trull Hill. He was retired from Conbraco as a maintenance supervisor.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son Bobby Hill, his granddaughter Paula McDonald and four siblings, Hazel H. Griffin, Rebecca H. Thomas, Emmett F. Hill, and Brenda H. Beamer.

Mr. Hill is survived by his wife, Elsie E. Hill of Surfside Beach; his three children, Barbara McDonald and her husband Danny of Rock Hill, SC, Mr. Brackie "Billy" W. Hill and his wife Brenda of Albemarle and Susan H. Horne and her husband Randy of Indian Trail; four grandchildren, Dathan W. D'Agostino, Sharon M. Grooms and her husband Jody, Julianne "Julie" H. Byrd and her husband Kelly, Garrett L. Horne and his wife Kayla and Abbey Horne; his brother Clinton Hill; four great-grandchildren, Nolan J. Grooms, Ally D. Grooms, Kiersten F. Byrd and Charlotte Grace Grooms; stepgranddaughter Melissa Whitley; step-great-grandchildren, Kayla Whitley and son, Brentley, Logan McDonald and Brendan McDonald.

Memorials should be made to Amedisys Hospice Care, 137 Professional Lane, Unit B, Pawleys Island, SC 29585

Online condolences may be made at www.morganandsonfuneralhome.com.

Morgan & Son Funeral Home of Marshville is in charge of arrangements.



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We hope you enjoy revisiting this Remembering column

# Remembering..... By Ed McBuide



### Harward Block and Title Co.

Jessie Harward began making cement blocks in the 1950's. This is a truck that I lettered for him, including the cement block painted on the door, September 24, 1958. Now, these were cement blocks, not cinder blocks or other materials, but real "gen-u-wine" cement blocks - the way my back feels now, they must have weighed at least 200-300 pounds each (really, they were heavy, close to fifty pounds each.) The modern day blocks are now much

#### lighter!

When Jessie began "block making," he mixed the cement by hand at his business on Holly Street (Old US 72 Highway East) back of his home. He would deliver the blocks to the site – whether a few or a truck load, after hand loading some. (No conveyor or cranes to do the work – just reach down and load one block at a time!!)

Jessie is now deceased.

#### Remembering Penny Bennett

This article is from the Anson County Historical Society's current newsletter: Most everyone who lived in Wadesboro during the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s remembers Penny Bennett. Unshaven and wearing old clothes and a battered hat, he would start walking with his dog from his home in Wadesboro, where he lived with his mother (until her death in 1966), to the family's farm south of town. Often, someone would give him a ride. Someone once asked him why his dog was so skinny. He replied that "I just gave him a couple of crackers, so he's OK." No one thought he had much money.

William Osborne Bennett, III was the first child born to William Osborne Bennett Jr. and Elizabeth (Elsie) Curry Bennett in 1911. His father worked in an

oil mill business in Maxton, N.C., but died when Penny was fourteen. A brother, Thomas, was born in 1914 and a second brother, Hugh, came four years later but only lived three years. Thomas was an excellent student at UNC, where he earned a medical degree and became an orthopedic surgeon in Honolulu, Hawaii. He married and had two sons. Though Thomas seldom visited the fam-



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## Anson County Tax Collector **PROPERTY TAX ANNOUNCEMENT**



### FINAL WARNING REGARDING ANSON COUNTY TAXES

The Anson County Tax Collector will publish 2015 delinquent taxes in the June 29th edition of the Anson Record.

Delinquent properties will have an added \$20 fee to offset publication costs. No exceptions.

Pay your delinquent taxes by June 24th to avoid advertisement and to avoid the \$20 fee.

All delinquent taxes are subject to foreclosure.

Having a signed payment arrangement will not prevent the advertisement fee from being added.

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ily in Wadesboro, Penny was proud of his brother.

After high school, Penny worked on the family farm. When the U.S entered World War II, he volunteered for the Navy at age thirty-one. He served throughout the war in the Pacific on the USS Lewis Hancock (DD-675). He was honorably discharged as a Seaman 1st Class in 1945 and returned home to live with his mother and to continue working on the farm.

Penny never drove a vehicle. I lived on Morven Road and Penny came by walking twice a day, in the morning going to the farm, which he sometimes leased, and in the evening returning. He was interesting to talk with and had a wealth of knowledge. Soon after his mother's death he began to live without utilities.

Most folks didn't realize that Penny, who seldom carried money with him, was independently wealthy. Tommy Allen recalls, "When Penny ate in a restaurant, he would often simply get up and leave and the restaurant knew to send the tab to his bank." His will revealed that he owned a large track of land in the county and stocks in major corporations. Also in his will, he gave his home place property on East Wade Street to the Anson County Historical Society, which is now the site of the organization's office.

Penny died in 1987. After a funeral at Calvary Episcopal Church, he was buried in a family plot in Eastview Cemetery. Penny Bennett will be remembered as one of Anson County's special characters. By Calvin Gaddy

