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On Wednesday, June 21, 2023, Mr. John Franklin Hough, 81, passed away peacefully to be with his Lord with his family gathered by his bedside at Wadesboro Health and Rehab.

Mr. John Franklin Hough

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at Cedar Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Mark Swaringen officiating. Interment followed in the church The family greeted friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 23, 2023,

at Leavitt Funeral Home in Wadesboro. John was born September 18, 1941, in Anson County, and was a son of the

late E. D. Hough and the late Allie Cleo Ricketts Hough. He was a veteran of the United States Army, having served during the Vietnam War. He worked for nearly 25 years with B.V. Hedrick Sand and Gravel, retiring from their Piedmont Sand Division in Pageland, SC. He attended Cedar Grove Baptist Church with his family. He was an active

member and supporter of Burnsville Fire Department and was an avid vegetable gardener, hunter and fisherman. He also enjoyed riding his golf cart. A loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather,

he leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 57 years, Martha Edwards Hough; his daughters, Jennifer Ricketts of Wadesboro and Marie O'Neill (Don) of Monroe; his grandchildren, Jonathan Ricketts of Hampton, VA, Trevin Ricketts (Victoria) of Waxhaw, Travis Curran and Miranda Curran, both of Polkton

and Michael O'Neill of Monroe; and his great-grandchildren, Stephen Ricketts and Faye Ricketts, both of Wadesboro.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers and sister,

James, Roy Lee and Edward Hough and Alice Plowman.

John's family is most grateful for the love and support shown by the staff of Wadesboro Health and Rehab, the Cedar Grove Church family, the Burnsville Fire Department and Anson Community Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Cedar Grove Baptist Church, 130 Cedar Grove Church Rd., Polkton, NC 28135 or Burnsville Fire Department 13380 NC-742, Polkton, NC 28135 or Wadesboro Health and Rehab, Family Council, 2051 Country Club Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

The arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.

Stay Safe this Summer

From Anson County Sheriff Scott Howell: With the summer comes warmer weather and people spending more time outdoors. It is a time of year when kids are out of school and people are taking vacations and engaging their favorite hobbies and leisure activities. But, summer also comes with greater risk of danger.

Heat Anybody can be at risk. Take extra breaks and drink lots of water. Check on elderly, young, sick or overweight neighbors, as well as anyone else who should stay indoors on hot days and take special care to avoid heat-related illnesses.

Pet Safety When your pets are outside make sure they have protection from the heat and sun. Plenty of fresh, cold water is essential. When the dangerous summer temperatures spike, limit outdoor time for your pets, as you would for yourself.

Boating & Water Safety Swimming and boating are fun but also potentially deadly. in 2020, 24 kids under age 17 drowned in North Carolina, and the younger the child, the greater the risk. Make sure everyone has a life jacket. Remember, alcohol and boating do not mix.

Fireworks Barbecues, parades, outdoor festivals, and similar events typically feature fireworks but also plenty of visits to the hospital. Fireworks are dangerous and should never be handled by children.

Other Outdoor Activities Most kids love playground equipment, bicycles, skateboards, and other outdoor toys. but using the same equipment results in sending dozens of children to the emergency department every summer. Always use caution and never leave children unsupervised near any hazard.

Sheriff Scott Howell is pleased to present these common sense reminders as a public service.

Grace Senior Center Has It Going On In July!

Grace Senior Center is an excellent resource for Anson County's senior citizens. They provide programs, services and activities that are beneficial...all free...and fun! Grace Senior Center is located at 199 Highway 742 South in Wadesboro, on the left just past IGA. For information call 704-694-6616.

- Chair Exercise every Tuesday and Thursday, 10am-11am. (No class on July 6.)
- Book Club every 1st Thursday of the month, 10am-12pm. • Bridge Club every 2nd Thursday of the month, 1pm-3pm.
- Senior Citizens Day Tuesday, July 11, 8:30am-5pm
- Senior Bingo Tuesday, July 18, 12-1pm.
- Craft & Workshop Thursday, July 20, 12 noon-1pm. Coffee & Conversation Tuesday, July 25, 12-2pm
- Hands Up! Hand Painting Thursday, July 27, 12-2pm. Registration is required. Please call Grace Senior Center at 704-694-6616.

Funny, Random & Weird Holidays

- June 29 Thursday Camera Day
- June 30 Friday Meteor Watch Day
- July 1 Saturday International Joke Day
 July 2 Sunday I Forgot Day
- July 2 Sunday World UFO Day
- July 3 Monday Compliment Your Mirror Day July 3 Monday - International Plastic Bag Free Day
- July 4 Tuesday Sidewalk Egg Frying Day
- July 5 Wednesday Workaholics Day

Free Summer Meals for Youth

Anson Middle School will operate as the Summer Meals Site, offering free breakfasts and lunches for kids and teens up to 18 years old. This program runs from Monday, July 10 through Thursday, July 27

Meal service times are: Monday to Thursday

Breakfast 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. Lunch 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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TOWN OF MORVEN

PUBLIC BUDGET **HEARING**

The proposed 2023-2024 Budget for the Town of Morven has been presented to the Board and is available for public inspection in the Town Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

There will be a public hearing on Wednesday, June 29, 2023, at 6 p.m. at the Morven Town Hall, located at 301 East Main Street, Morven, NC 28119, for the purpose of discussing the proposed budget.

Citizens are invited to make written or oral comments.



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