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Obituaries

Mrs. Mickie Cranford Preslar

Mrs. Mickie Cranford Preslar, 81, died Monday, June 26, 2017, at Presbyterian Hospital Novant Health in Charlotte.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, June 29, 2017, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment followed in Griffin Cemetery.

Mickie was born June 14, 1936, in Chesterfield County, SC, a daughter of the late James Preston Cranford and the late Lillie Mae Horne Cranford.

Surviving are her husband of 65 years, Charles Grover Preslar; her children, Dean (Pam) Preslar of Indian Trail, Terri Preslar (Joe) Ronzo of Salisbury, Chuck (Robin) Preslar of Polkton, Becky Preslar

Jones of Marshville and Joel (Betty) Preslar of Polkton; her brother Bud Cranford of Peachland; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son Tommy Preslar and brothers and sisters, Bill Cranford, James "Speedy" Cranford, Jr., Thelma Jones and Bertha Watson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Griffin Cemetery Fund, c/o Oakdale Baptist Church, 3304 NC 218, Polkton, NC 28135.

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

Mrs. Nellie Mae Wilson

Mrs. Nellie Mae Wilson, 88, departed her life early Sunday morning, June 25, 2017, at the home of her oldest son in Hamlet, NC.

Services were held on Thursday, June 29, 2017, by the graveside in Westview Memorial Park.

Nellie was born July 19, 1928, to the late Al and Goldie Harris. She was educated in the Anson County Public Schools. She married the late George W. Wilson, Sr., US Army retired, with over 43 years of marriage. They enjoyed the military lifestyle, traveling to various parts of the world, and building a loving family.

Nellie (aka Spook) loved cooking, watching soap operas, Law & Order and The Golden Girls, attending ath-

letic events with her children participated in throughout their school years and being a loving homemaker.

She leaves to cherish her memories daughter Angela Wilson of Augusta, GA and eight sons, Leverne T. (Gurnell) Harris of Hamlet, George (Daisy) Wilson of Fayetteville, Leroy Wilson of Lilesville, Frederick (Polly) Wilson of Woodbridge, VA., Jackie (Cassie) Wilson of Ansonville, Maurice (Carolyn) Wilson of Leland, NC, Clifford Wilson of Ansonville and Kenneth Wilson of Brandywine, MD; her beloved sisters and brother, Bernice Wall, Mary (Lewitt) Melton and Terry Harris of Wadesboro and Bobbie (Alvin) Patterson of Salisbury; 24 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Theodore, Alfonza, Robert and Tommy Harris and sisters, Dorothy Mae Smith, Betty Lee and Eliza Grace.

The family would like to extend a special acknowledgment and huge thank you to Pop and Gurnell Harris for providing a loving, caring and attentive home to Mom. The family would also like to thank Liberty Home Care and Hospice for their care for Nellie Mae.

Mr. Dock Allen Holloway

Mr. Dock Allen Holloway, 77, slipped away peacefully to be with his Heavenly Father with his faithful wife by his side on

Wednesday, June 28, 2017, while at his home.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, July 3, 2017, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Jean Pierre Swammunu Lhospo officiating.

Dock was born April 22, 1940, in Darlington County, SC, a son of the late Dock Holloway and the late Alice Cox Holloway. He was a former employee of CMH Flooring and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Dock was an extremely hard worker and also enjoyed the outdoors. His hobbies included hunting and fishing and he could be seen daily on Morven Road walking his beloved four-legged family members Pepper, Ginger and Sage.

Surviving are his wife Carol Hodges Holloway; his most special and loved daughters, Janet Marie (Brian) Taylor of Lilesville and Alice Rose Holloway of Wadesboro; his grandchildren, Gracie Mae Taylor and Zachary Scott Taylor; his brother, Martin (Virginia) Holloway of Polkton; his mother-in-law Janet Hodges of Wadesboro; his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Bill (Arturo Rodriguez) Hodges of Miami, FL, Kathy (Dale) Kelly of Lilesville, Robert Hodges of Asheville, Linda (Willie) Tyson of Polkton and Steve (Tammy) Hodges of Greenville, SC; his nieces and nephews and their families; special family friends, Pat Frost, Missy, Jamie and Caleb Phifer, Buddy Williams and

Sylvester Reid; and Dock's three pups, Pepper, Ginger and Sage.

The family wishes to thank Liberty Home Care and Hospice for the care and support for Dock and their family.

The family suggests memorial contributions be

made to Sacred Heart Catholic Church; Liberty Home Care and Hospice; the Alzheimer's Association of North Carolina; or the National Kidney Foundation.

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McLeod Vascular Surgeon Offers Stroke Advice

Stroke is a leading cause of serious long-term disability in the United States. This condition is also not limited to the elderly. It can happen any time to any one. The good news is that nearly 80 percent of strokes are preventable.

The American Stroke Association developed the acronym FAST to help the public in identifying a stroke. If you suspect someone may be having a stroke think FAST:

- **F** - Face - Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the face droop?
- **A** - Arms - Is one arm weak or numb? If they raise both arms, does one drift downward?
- **S** - Speech - Is their speech slurred? Can they repeat a simple sentence correctly?
- **T** - Time - If the person shows any of these symptoms, call 911 immediately.

FAST covers the risk factors for stroke that everyone should be familiar with. But there are several symptoms that you may not be aware of that are unique to women. Some of these symptoms include: loss of consciousness or fainting, general weakness, shortness of breath, confusion or disorientation, sudden behavioral change, agitation, hallucination, nausea or vomiting, pain, seizures and hiccups. Since these are not typical symptoms, recognizing them as signs of a stroke can create a challenge potentially delaying treatment. Eighty-seven percent of all strokes are identified as ischemic strokes. This means that the stroke occurs as a result of an obstruction within a blood vessel that supplies blood to the brain.

"As we age, plaque builds up in the wall of our carotid arteries. The carotid arteries are located on each side of the neck and supply blood to the brain," said Dr. Eva Rzcudlo, McLeod Vascular Surgeon. "The build-up of the plaque in the carotid arteries, also known as carotid artery disease, is a serious issue."

"Blood clots can form on the plaque. If one of these clots or a piece of plaque breaks loose and travels to the brain, a stroke will occur," continued Dr. Rzcudlo. "A transient ischemic attack (TIA), or a mini-stroke, should serve as a warning sign that a stroke may occur in the near future. During a TIA, stroke symptoms occur but do not cause permanent damage. If this happens, patients should seek care immediately."

There are two procedures used to treat carotid artery disease: carotid endarterectomy and carotid artery stenting. Both procedures are performed at McLeod. The team of Vascular Surgeons work with the patient to determine the most appropriate surgical treatment option. Patients with a severe narrowing of the carotid arteries, and those who have been experiencing TIAs would likely be candidates for one of these procedures. Prior to these procedures, a duplex ultrasound test is performed. This test uses painless ultrasound waves to show the blood vessels and measure how fast the blood is flowing. It also helps determine the location and degree of narrowing in the carotid artery.

Carotid endarterectomy is a safe form of surgical treatment to remove the plaque in the carotid arteries and help prevent a stroke. The carotid endarterectomy procedure takes about 90 minutes to perform. After surgery, patients will stay in the hospital for one to two days. The neck incision is so small that patients should not experience significant pain. In addition, patients can usually begin normal activities several weeks after the operation.

Carotid artery stenting is a minimally invasive procedure that also treats carotid artery disease. Through a small incision in the groin a catheter, a long hollow tube, is inserted into the carotid to be treated. A stent, which is a tiny metal coil, can then be inserted into the artery to push the plaque aside and improve the blood flow.

"Having the plaque surgically removed or stented will not stop it from building up again," explained Dr. Rzcudlo. "To prevent the plaque from reoccurring patients should consider making some healthy lifestyle changes such as: eating foods low in saturated fat, cholesterol and calories, exercising regularly, especially aerobic exercise such as walking, maintaining an ideal body weight, avoiding smoking and discussing cholesterol-lowering medications with their physician."

Dr. Eva Rzcudlo is a board certified vascular surgeon with additional vascular research fellowship training. Dr. Rzcudlo cares for patients at McLeod Vascular Associates in Florence and Cheraw.

Town of Lilesville, NC PUBLIC HEARING

The Lilesville Board of Commissioners will conduct Public Hearings on Monday, July 10, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall, located at 114 East Wall Street, Lilesville, NC, for the purpose of consideration of:

The rezoning of three (3) properties located at:

- US Highway 74 East, PIN#740413230547
From General Residential (R) District to General Business-Highway 74-Conditional Use District; and
- 204 Camden Street, PIN#740418226490
From General Residential (R) District to General Business-Highway 74-Conditional Use District; and
- 203 Camden Street, PIN#740418327214
From General Residential (R) District to General Business-Highway 74-Conditional Use District; and,

Persons wishing to review the amendments are encouraged to view the proposed draft in the office of the Town Clerk located at 114 East Wall Street, Lilesville, NC or online at lilesvilletown@windstream.net.

Anyone with special needs is asked to contact the Town Clerk at 704-848-4711 or online for arrangements.

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