## Obituaries

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Heaven's choir must have needed a new alto, so God chose Betty Lou Daniels Horne on Sunday, August 13, 2023, to join the Angel choir. She slipped away peacefully at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst.

Mrs. Betty Lou Daniels Horne

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at First Baptist Church, Wadesboro with Dr. Tim Moore and Dr. Robert Hunter, Jr. officiating. Interment will follow in Peachland Cemetery. The family will greet friends from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 18, 2023, at Leavitt Funeral Home.

Betty Lou was born December 28, 1949, in Anson County, and was the only child of the late Winfred Jacob Daniels and the late Minnie Lou Tomlinson Daniels. She was a graduate of Bowman High School and Wingate University with a degree in Early Childhood Education, graduating Magna Cum Laude. Remembered as a devoted and caring teacher, she

taught fourth grade at Peachland Polkton School, retiring after 32 years of service. Teaching was her true calling, and she possessed a passion and love for children and the importance of education.

Betty Lou was an active member of First Baptist Church, Wadesboro for more than 50 years. She was a member of the Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, and loved ministering in the children's sermon rotations and Sunday school.

She also enjoyed being a part of the Red Hats and Bookies Book Club. She was an avid bridge and pinochle player and was a part of several bridge clubs in Wadesboro and Chesterfield. Betty volunteered as a Long-Term Care Ombudsman for Anson County. She loved to spend time and care for her ten grandchildren. Betty was a caregiver by nature, and made everyone she met feel nurtured and loved.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Dan (Amy) Cromartie of Davidson, LuAnne Cromartie Murphy of Aberdeen, Mike (Traci) Horne of Forest, VA and Chad (Kim) Horne of Polkton; her grandchildren, Beth Horne of Cary, Morgan (Braxton) Pfaff of Forest, VA, Savannah Cromartie of Charlotte, Madison Horne (Cooper McCaw, Fiancé) of Forest, VA, Adam Horne (Harley Taylor, Fiancé) of Polkton, Nicholas Murphy of Raleigh, Steven Cromartie of Boone, Courtney Horne of Forest, Miles Murphy of Chapel Hill and Preston House of Aberdeen; her great-grandson Thatcher Michael Pfaff; her friend and companion, Ernie Pusser of Chesterfield and his son John (Kayla) Pusser of Elgin, SC; her cousin, who was much like a sister, Teena (Alex) Hatcher of Henderson; and her sisters-in-law, Rosa Horne of Peachland, Reva Carpenter of Marshville and Jan (Mike) Smith of Knoxville, TN.

#### Legal Aid of North Carolina Launches First **Legal Services Innovation Lab in the Country**

Innovations in the Legal Field and Launch of Legal Aid of North Carolina's New Innovation Lab Discussed on "Talk Justice" a Legal Services Corporation podcast

Legal Aid of North Carolina's Chief Innovation Officer, Scheree Gilchrist, was recently featured on Legal Services Corporation's Podcast "Talk Justice" in an episode titled "The First Legal Aid Innovation Lab." During the episode, Scheree Gilchrist joined host Cat Moon, Director of Innovation Design for the Program on Law and Innovation, to discuss groundbreaking innovations within the legal sector. A key focus of the conversation was the inauguration of Legal Aid of North Carolina's Innovation Lab, an initiative aimed at driving transformative change in the delivery of legal services.

The podcast episode also highlighted guests Ashley Campbell, CEO of Legal Aid of North Carolina, and Jeff Kelly, partner at Nelson Mullins and chair of the advisory board for the Innovation Lab. The conversation revolved around the significance of innovation in fostering broader access to justice and addressing disparities in legal service delivery, particularly in rural areas.

Scheree Gilchrist highlighted the pivotal role of the Innovation Lab in shaping the future of legal aid, saying, "The Lab for us is really the vehicle by which we believe we will be able to fulfill and sustain the vision we have of being an innovative, efficient, and inclusive legal services provider."

The mission of Legal Aid of North Carolina's Innovation Lab is to revolutionize the legal landscape by enhancing the delivery of legal services, expanding access to justice, and combating inequities in underserved rural communities. By fostering collaboration, technological advancements, and fresh approaches, the Innovation Lab aims to make a lasting impact on individuals and communities that often face barriers in accessing legal assistance.

Ashley Campbell expressed the importance of the Innovation Lab, saying, "We know that innovation is needed and necessary for us to provide access to justice to all the folks that need it."

Legal Aid of North Carolina is dedicated to enhancing the quality and accessibility of legal services for all North Carolinians. The "Talk Justice" podcast episode is a testament to the organization's commitment to innovation and its proactive approach in reshaping the legal landscape.

For more information about Legal Aid of North Carolina and the Innovation Lab, please legalaidnc.org/ visit innovation-lab.

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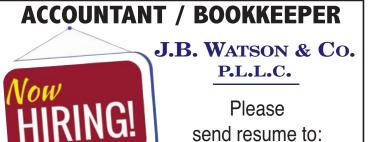
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was preceded in death by her husbands, Angus Cromartie and Douglas Horne, and by

In addition to her parents, she

her granddaughter Kimberly Diane Horne.

be made at www.leavittfh.com.

#### Mr. Jonathan David Lowder Mr. Jonathan David Lowder, 54, of Wadesboro, passed away on Monday, August 14, 2023, at Atrium Health in Monroe.

A celebration of life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at Christ Episcopal Church Albemarle. Mr. Chipper Long, Lay Pastor, will officiate and the family will receive friends after the service in the Parish Hall.

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Mr. Lowder was born on November 19, 1968, in Stanly County to Jerry Wayne Lowder and Janet Harwood Preslar. He worked for 18 years with Terminix, and was a member at Main Street Methodist Church in Albemarle. He enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family, especially his son and his special nephews. Jonathan was sick for many years but never complained about his sickness and never questioned 'why.' To know Jonathan was

to love Jonathan. He was special to his family and will forever live in their hearts.

He is survived by his son Christopher Jake Lowder 'CJ'; CJ's mother, Misty Mullis Hogan; his mother and father, Janet Preslar (Ellwood) and Jerry Lowder (Virginia); his brother Stewart Lowder (LaWanda); stepbrother Darren Preslar (Melissa); special nephews, Wyatt, Declan and Miles Preslar; special nieces, Layla, Bre and Bristol Lowder; special friends, Colleen London and Dale Pylant; special canine companion Ruckus; and numerous aunts,

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