

Obituaries

Ms. Myrtle Elva Kiker

Ms. Myrtle Elva Kiker, 91, passed away on September 27, 2018, at the Summit Place in Kings Mountain, NC.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. at Hopewell United Methodist Church, 1715 Hopewell Church Road in Peachland.

Ms. Kiker was born in Polkton on May 18, 1927, to the late Ira T. and Maude Hudson Kiker. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Rupert "Jack" Kiker, Clyde Kiker, Violet Thomas and Doris Carelock and nephews, Michael Carelock, Dean Carelock and Lyndon Thomas.

She is survived by two sisters, Mary Thomas of Polkton and Beth Ross (Fred) of Indian Trail; seven nieces and nephews, Ann Wolf (Don), Ruth Kiker, David Thomas (Shirley), Ouida McIntyre (Dexter), Steve Ross (Connie), Wanda Greene (Boyd), Gary Ross and their families.

Ms. Kiker received a B.S. degree at Appalachian and an M.A. degree at the University of Colorado. She also attended various summer schools throughout the U.S. on scholarship, including Dartmouth. She taught for a total of 34 years at Winecove in Concord, North Mecklenburg and East Mecklenburg in Charlotte, Forest Hills in Marshville, and Union County Career Center. After retiring from the public school system she taught for four years at the Christian Academy in Japan, an international school predominately for missionary children.

Along with receiving the Outstanding Teacher Award, she sponsored junior and senior student council, yearbook staff, junior and senior plays, and senior trips to New York. Ms. Kiker also coached debate teams at North Meck and East Meck and progressed several teams to state competition. She was

Teacher of the Year at East Meck, Forest Hills and Union County Career Center, and was the Union County Teacher of the Year. Many students kept in touch with her by phone, letters, visits and reunions, and still express that she was their best and most influential teacher, both personally and academically.

Ms. Kiker was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa, an honorary teachers' sorority where she held many offices. While residing at Wilora Lake Lodge in Charlotte (now Brookdale East), she served as Secretary for two years and Mayor for four years.

An active member of Marshville First Baptist Church, Ms. Kiker was the first female deacon, and served four three-year terms. She was also a teacher and member of many committees. After moving to Charlotte she attended Central United Methodist for many years.

Her interest included reading, tutoring and travel, including all seven continents, 50 states, and all provinces of Canada.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to Hopewell United Methodist Church or Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150, for their loving care and support.

Online condolences may be made at www.morganandsonfuneralhome.com. Morgan & Son Funeral Home Inc. of Marshville is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Sarah Cox Tucker Long

Mrs. Sarah Cox Tucker Long, 88, died Monday, October 1, 2018, at Carolinas Medical Center Union in Monroe.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, by the graveside in Sharon Memorial Park in Charlotte. The family will greet friends following the service.

Sarah was born December 16, 1929, in Anson County, a daughter of the late John Thomas Cox and the late Ida Elizabeth Braswell Cox.

daughter, Anna Tucker and her mother Debbie Tucker, both of Mint Hill; her grandson Andrew Tucker, Jr. of Kent, England; her brothers and sisters, Louis Cox (Margie) of Matthews, Carson Cox (Alice) of Wadesboro, Ila Barwig of Monroe and Betty Pope (Jerry) of Peachland; and her nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, Jack Tucker and Bob Long; her son Jack Tucker, Jr. and her brothers and sisters, Charles, Edward, Roy and Alma Cox and Frances Taylor.

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

Mr. William Lloyd Ratliff

Mr. William Lloyd Ratliff, 81, of Monroe, passed away on Saturday, September 29, 2018, at the Hospice House of Union County.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at Central United Methodist Church. At a later date there will be a private interment in Morven Cemetery, where Lloyd's parents and sister were laid to rest.

Mr. Ratliff was born June 15, 1937, in Anson County to the late William Parsons and Ruth Johnson Ratliff. He graduated from Morven High School in 1955, and then attended Pfeiffer University where he received his undergraduate degree in 1959. He continued his education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and received his Master of Education in 1963.

Mr. Ratliff served as principal of East Elementary School, John D. Hodges Elementary School and Walter Bickett Elementary School.

He retired as the principle of Monroe High School. While working as principal he also completed his Advanced Master of Education degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1976. He received the Monroe Jaycees Outstanding Young Educator Award in 1967 and the Monroe City Schools Outstanding Administrator of the Year Award in 1987.

Mr. Ratliff was a member of Central United Methodist Church where he received the United Methodist Laity of the Year Award in 1999. He was also an active member of the Monroe Civitan Club where he received Civitan of the Year in 1993.

He is survived by his wife

of 58 years, Nancy Huntley Ratliff, children, Christine Ratliff Poythress (Kevin), William Lloyd Ratliff Jr. (Kristy); grandchildren; Nolan Clinton Poythress, Lauren Neal Poythress, Karson Leigh Mendenhall (Dalton), and William Lloyd Ratliff III (Trey).

In addition to his parents, his sister Lynne Ratliff Smith preceded him in death.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Central United Methodist Church, 801 S. Hayne St., Monroe, NC 28112 or to Hospice of Union County, 700 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Monroe, NC 28110.

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Lori Lee Anderson

Lori Lee Anderson, passed away on Sunday afternoon, September 9, 2018.

A memorial service was held on Thursday, September 20, 2018, at First Baptist Church of Stanleyville in Winston-Salem, NC, her childhood church.

Lori was born March 5, 1963 in Forsyth County, North Carolina.

Since the birth of Nora, her new granddaughter, Lori has resided in Wilmington where she relished her new role as Grandmother-in-Charge and assisted her daughter Morgan. Prior to this she worked in the food and beverage industry most of her career where she had the opportunity to make many long-time friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Milton Lee Moss, her paternal grandparents Walter and Sadie Aldridge Moss, and her maternal grandparents Claude W and Nina Boyles Parker.

She is survived by her children, Justin Michael Anderson and Morgan Lee Anderson; granddaughter Nora Lee Anderson; her parents Wanda and Thomas McBride; grandfather J. E. (Ed) McBride; and numerous dear aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

In lieu of flowers, Lori wanted memorials to be made to her granddaughter, Nora Lee Anderson, for her future college education, or First Baptist Church of Stanleyville.

Free Groceries Available to Eligible Families

Free USDA foods will be distributed today, Wednesday, October 3 and Saturday, October 6, from 9 to 11 a.m., or as long as supplies last, at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center (BRLC). Please note that neighbors will only be served once monthly with these items as long as they last.

The North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Food Distribution Division provide these food items through the Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina in Charlotte.

The US federal income guidelines will be a determining factor for individual's eligibility. The food items will only be available to Ansonians. Individuals who have not registered or received food before from the BRLC Emergency food Pantry must have financial documentation as proof of income to be served. Those families who receive food stamp assistance will automatically qualify. Parents are asked not to bring children due to limited seating space. Neighbors are asked to please park in parking lot behind center.

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You can contact BRLC at 704-826-8737 for information, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. BRLC is located at 13349 Highway 742 North in Burnsville, across from the Fire Department.

Notice of Regular Meeting Sept. 11
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Completed applications need to be mailed to, or dropped off at, Wadesboro Town Hall, PO Box 697, 124-126 East Wade Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170. Attention Cindi Pope.

The position will remain open until filled, but applicants should apply by October 12, 2018 to ensure full consideration.

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