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Mr. William Martin McSwain

Mr. William Martin Mc-Swain, 78, died Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at

his home. Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 27, 2018, at Hopewell United Methodist Church with Rev. Patrick Ledford officiating. Interment fol-

lowed in the church ceme-Martin was born June 1, 1940, in Anson County, a son of the late Lester Claude McSwain and the late Virginia Hazel Tucker McSwain. He was a retired teacher with Anson County

Schools for 27 years, having taught, math, science, biology and drivers education. He was a lifelong of Hopewell member United Methodist Church. He was also a farmer

and a beekeeper, being well-known for gathering the honey. Martin also authored three books about genealogy, Hopewell history, and veterans, one of which is registered in the Library of Congress.

Martin was very proud of his ancestry, and was a direct descendant of David McSwain who was of the McSwain clan of the Highlands and Isles of Scotland. David McSwain, Highlander, emigrated from the Isle of Skye, Scotland to America aboard the ship Snow Louther in the year 1730. The boat both he and his family were on sailed from Rotterdam, Holland and landed in Philadelphia, PA in 1731, a seven month ocean voy-

The McSwain family would later move to Virginia where they lived for many years prior to moving to North Carolina, settling first in Cleveland County and then in Stanly County. The family recognized great beauty in the wilderness and mountains of North Carolina. To them the passage from the Bible, "I will lift up mine eyes to the hills whence comes my help,' took a special meaning.

Surviving are his daughters, Anne (Scott)

Swain of Polkton; his grandchildren, Airyn Jones and Nathan McSwain; his brother Leonidas (Susie) McSwain of Peachland; his sister Ann (Larry) Caudle of Polkton; and friend Charlotte Treadaway of Wades-

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hopewell United Methodist Church, c/o Susie Mc-Swain, 424 Pork Rd., Peachland, NC 28133.

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

Mrs. Helen **Meachum Sellers**

Mrs. Helen Meachum Sellers, 63, died Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte.

Funeral services were held on Friday, October 26, 2018, at Cathedral Baptist Church with Rev. Randy Swaringen officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Helen was born February 26, 1955, in Anson County, a daughter of the Cecil Thomas Meachum and Naomi Louise Helms Meachum of Wadesboro. She attended Anson County Schools and furthered her education at Anson Community College, now South Piedmont Community College, with an Associate's Degree in Business Administration. She worked for a number of years in the business office of B.C. Moore and

Surviving are her husband of nearly 42 years, Fred Sellers; her son Tom (Lauren) Sellers Lilesville; her grandchildren, Maverick, Liberty and Lachlan; her sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Brenda Meachum and Patrick Treadaway, both of Wadesboro, Debbie Meachum of Lilesville,

Willa Cox, Johnny and Lucy Sellers and Eddie and Sandra Sellers, all of Conway, SC, Marjorie and John Prince of Tabor City and Ronnie Sellers of Whiteville; and her nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sisters and brothers, Joyce Henry, Nancy Treadaway, Linda Funderburke, Betty Lou Funderburke, Debbie Ramsey, Louise Bow-Martha Henry, Jerry Meachum and Cecil Meachum.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Cathedral Baptist Church, 1215 Old Lilesville Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

Mrs. Virginia "Peggy" Deese **Tyson**

Mrs. Virginia "Peggy" Deese Tyson, 75, died Thursday, October 18, 2018, at Meadowview Terrace Wadesboro.,ccccccc

Funeral services were held on Monday, October 22, 2018, at Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment followed in Morven cemetery.

Peggy was born in Anson County on July 4, 1943, a daughter of the late Edward W. Deese and Mary Brock Deese. She was a retired textile

Survivors include her children, William Nunnally, Wanda (Michal) Carpenter and Darul Tyson, all of Wadesboro and Tim (Christy) Tyson of Marshville; her grandchildren, Kevin Carpenter of Peachland, Scott Carpenter of Ansonville, Tina Carpenter Williams Ansonville, Lisa (Brent) Gordon of Rochingham, Ashley (Kyle) Godwin of Marshville, Michael (Cas-Tyson, Jr. of Marshville, and Macie

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Tyson and Jacob Tyson, both of Marshville; her great-grandchildren, Dana (Nick) Williams, Cody Williams, Megan Carpenter, Briana Carpenter, Amy Carpenter, Makayla Carpenter, Kamara Gordon, Kynlee Gordon, Kolten Godwin, Braxton Tyson and Jacquelin Godwin; great-great-grandchild An-

naleigh Williams; and her siblings, Robert (Maria) Deese of San Diego, CA and Ruth Charlton of Wadesboro.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Lisa Dawn Tyson, her son Bobby Van Tyson, Jr. and her siblings, Bertha

THE EXPRESS • October 31, 2018 • Page 3 Wood, Martha Moser, Lockhart Deese, Melvin Deese, Benjamin Deese, Edward Deese, Jr. and Henry Deese.

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