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Mr. David Henry Hildreth

On Saturday, January 23, 2021, Mr. David Henry Hildreth, 91, went to be with Lord while being cared for at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Wayne Whitley officiating. Interment will follow in Eastview Cemetery.

There will be no formal visitation prior to the services and the family will be available following the service at the cemetery to speak with anyone at that time.

Due to the continued COVID-19 risks, we ask that you practice social distancing at all times. The family would like for all attending the service to please wear a face covering.

David was born August 2, 1929, in Anson County, and was a son of the late Paul Patrick Hildreth and the late Linnie Mae Williams Hildreth. He retired from owning his own plumbing business, Hildreth Plumbing in Wadesboro. He was a faithful member of the Church of God of Prophecy in Wadesboro.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 25 years, Shirley Greene Hildreth; his children, David Hildreth Jr., Timothy Hildreth and Joseph Hildreth, all of Wadesboro, Cathy Little (Dennis) of Rock Hill, SC, Angela Burgess (Jerry) of Peachland, Linda Austin (Shawn) of Marshville, Robert Cribb of Wadesboro and Timothy Cribb of Concord; his sisters, Martha Gullede and Rena Garrison, both of Wadesboro; 20 grandchildren;

13 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife Frances Eddins Hildreth and his sisters and brothers, Dora Sellers, Eunice Honeycutt, Linnie Mae Hanna John Hildreth, Paul Hildreth, Ben Hildreth and Spare Hildreth.

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

Mrs. Rena Belle Howell Martin

Mrs. Rena Belle Howell Martin, 100, died Sunday, January 24, 2021, while a resident at Meadowview Terrace.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a memorial service to celebrate her life will be held at a later time.

Rena Belle was born in Anson County on March 10, 1920, a daughter of the late William Dorsey Howell and the late Veda Grace Hinson Howell. After graduating from high school, she began her nurse's training and worked many years as an LPN at Anson County Hospital. She was married for 69 years to Edward Harding Martin before his death in 2007.

Survivors include her children, Tommy Martin and wife Sandy of Oak Island, NC and Carolyn Forrester and husband Donald of Woodstock, GA; three grandsons, Miguel Martin (Nicki), Derek Forrester (Kathy) and Todd Forrester (Lori); and her great-granddaughter Carolyn Marie Forrester.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Meadowview Terrace for the wonderful care, love and affection shown to their mother during her years there.

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

Mr. Nelson Vance Tucker, Jr.

On Sunday, January 24, 2021, Mr. Nelson Vance Tucker, Jr., 60, lifelong resident of the Burnsville Community passed away suddenly.

There will be a service to celebrate his life at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2021, at the Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department with Rev. Patrick

Ledford officiating.

The family will be available to visit with those attending following the service.

Nelson was born October 8, 1960, in Stanly County, NC, and was a son of the late Nelson Vance Tucker and the late Mirian Edwards Tucker. He was a 1978 graduate of Bowman High School. He served more than 20 years with the Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department where he was always willing to serve in any capacity, and had served as Officer of Fire and Safety Training.

He worked for 27 years with Hardees Restaurants, and following that, he owned and operated Carolina Lawn Pros.

Nelson loved being outdoors, enjoying nature, hunting, and simply spending time at the creek or the pond on his property. He also enjoyed an annual vacation trip with his friends and brother Joey out West.

Those left to cherish his memory are his brother and sisters, Joey Tucker, also of the Burnsville Community, Marie Zimmerman and husband Dave of Fort Myers, FL, Janice Tucker of Charlotte and Gina Blake and husband Nolan of Fairview Heights, IL; his nephews, Eric Gullede and wife Ginny of Albemarle, William Gullede of Concord and Daniel Gullede of Stanfield; his great-nieces and great-nephews, Ethan, Reagan, Sage, Riley and Aiden; as well as, his extended family of Tuckers and Edwards and many friends.

The family requests no flowers, and that memorials be made to Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department, 13380 NC 742 N, Polkton, NC 28135.

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



A Note of Gratitude

The family of Joe Dutton would like to express our sincere gratitude for the many ways friends and family have blessed us. His passing is almost more than we can bear, but we know that our heavenly father and the love of others will help us.

Your kind deeds, words of comfort, unseen acts of kindness and gifts have showered us with love. We knew that Joe had many friends and it is very apparent by your blessings.

Please continue to pray for us and keep sharing memories of Joe.

Sincerely,

Jennie, Desi, Kole, Hunter, Carolyn, Marilyn and all of our other family members

Alzheimer's Association to Host Statewide Dementia Workshop Series in February

Three-part series to cover navigating a dementia diagnosis

The Alzheimer's Association, Western Carolina Chapter and the Alzheimer's Association, Eastern North Carolina Chapter are hosting a three-part virtual education series in February.

In the early stage of Alzheimer's disease, families face new questions as they adjust. This virtual three-part series, "Navigating a Dementia Diagnosis" provides practical answers to the questions that arise in the early stage. Attendees will hear from experts, those directly affected, and learn what can be done to cope with the changes that come with an early-stage diagnosis

- Part one - "Navigating a Dementia Diagnosis: What does this diagnosis mean?" - will take place on Wednesday, February 10 from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. This program will cover understanding the disease and diagnostic process, symptoms of early stage and approaches to managing, and the relationship(s) among doctors, patients, and care partners. Dr. Mark Pippinger, a Behavioral Neurologist with Novant Health, will be presenting.

- Part two - "Navigating a Dementia Diagnosis: The Power of Planning" - will take place Wednesday, February 17 from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. This program will cover care planning, care teams, care management, a legal and financial overview, and an exploration of family and friends, relationships, and self-care. This session will include a panel of experts including: Corinne Auman (family caregiving and aging expert), Alyssa Botte (psychotherapist in memory counseling), and Marjorie Brown (elder law attorney).

- Part three - "Navigating a Dementia Diagnosis: Live Well" - will take place Wednesday, February 24 from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. This program will include Alzheimer's Association Early-Stage Advisors sharing their experiences of living with Alzheimer's and other dementias.

The three-part series is open to individuals with a recent diagnosis and/ or in the early stages of Alzheimer's and related dementia diseases, their families and care-partners. General public interested in learning more about planning, resources, and services that are available may also attend. Interested parties may register for all three, or just those sessions that fit best their schedule and interests. Attendees can attend via video/webinar or through a toll-free number. There is no charge to participate, but registration is required. To sign up, visit tinyurl.com/NavigatingALZFeb2021 or call 1-800-272-3900.

"The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease is life-changing and leads to many questions so this program is invaluable for recently diagnosed individuals and their care partners," said Katherine L. Lambert, CEO of the Western Carolina Chapter. "We want them to know that they are not alone and that we are here for them from the beginning of a diagnosis and throughout their journey with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia."

Additional Facts and Figures: (www.alz.org/facts)

- Alzheimer's disease is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States.
- More than five million Americans are living with the disease, including 180,000 North Carolina residents — a number estimated to grow to as many as 210,000 by year 2025.
- More than 16 million family and friends, including 479,000 in North Carolina, provide unpaid care to people with Alzheimer's or other dementias in the United States.
- In 2019, friends and family of those with Alzheimer's in North Carolina provided an estimated 545 million hours of unpaid care, a contribution valued at \$7.15 billion.

About the Alzheimer's Association: The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to lead the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia - by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia.

About the Alzheimer's Association - Western Carolina Chapter: The Western Carolina Chapter provides patient and family services, information and referral, education, and advocacy in 49 central and western North Carolina counties. It offers opportunities to get involved and to make a difference, in addition to a variety of services including: a 24/7 Helpline, support groups, educational programs, and MedicAlert. For more information about Alzheimer's disease or the Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter, visit www.alz.org/northcarolina or call (800) 272-3900. For the latest news and updates, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Valentine's Day Dinner for Two to Go!

Make this Valentine's Day extra special and help support the arts! The Anson County Arts Council is taking orders for baked spaghetti dinners that will be available for pickup on Friday, February 12 at noon at the Arts Council office. All you have to do is heat and eat!

The dinner for two menu consists of baked spaghetti (heat & serve), garden salad with choice of dressing, garlic bread and brownie bites with chocolate covered cherries...all for only \$30.

Text your order to 704-221-3038 or call 704-694-4950 to leave a message.

The Arts Council is located at 110 South Rutherford Street in Wadesboro, next door to the Ansonia Theatre.

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