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Dorothy Bennett Allen

Dorothy Bennett Allen, 85, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, after a short illness.

A memorial service will be held at Shandon Baptist Church on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at 10 a.m. with visitation following the service. Burial will be in Eastview Cemetery in Wadesboro at 3 p.m.

She was born on July 22, 1927 in Wadesboro, and was the daughter of the late John Bennett and Cora Hart Allen.

Affectionately known to all as "Aunt Dot," she never married or had children, but she was a mother and guardian angel to everyone she knew and loved. Having outlived her brother and sister, Aunt Dot loved caring for their families. Whether it was attending graduations, weddings, birthday parties or other events, she was always there. She was the unifying force that kept the family together. Her consistent example of love and loyalty will continue to inspire us; it is impossible to measure the depth of her love for us or our love for her.

As a child she moved to Columbia, SC where the family had established Allen Brothers Milling Co. (Adluh Flour). Aunt Dot was active in all aspects of the Mill, including attending social events such as Vista Lights. She enjoyed sharing Adluh products with others. Dorothy lived her whole life in service to others. She was a life-long member of Shandon Baptist Church where she served as a member of the "Counting Committee," an officer of the Joy Class, officer of the Shandon on Mission organizations, Tuesday Night Outreach and was supportive of all church programs.

She graduated from Dreher High School, Winthrop University, and the D.T. Watson School of Physical Therapy, which is now a part of the University of Pittsburgh. She worked at the NC Hospital for Children in Gastonia, NC. She was employed for 32 years as a Physical Therapist at the old Columbia Hospital which later became Richland Memorial Hospital. During this time she served as the Chief Physical Therapist for several years, and after her retirement she continued to work part time whenever she was needed. Under the direction of Miss Emily Cate, Dot was in charge of the swimming activities at the first Orthopedic Camp for Crippled Children in Lexington. The camp was later moved to Sumter County and became known as Camp Burnt Gin where Dot worked for several summers. She continued her service to others in the US Army Reserves medical corps where she achieved the rank of Major. Her service led to many friendships around the world which continued long after her military career. Her love of sports was second only to her love for her family and friends. Whether it was little league, high school, college or professional sporting events, she enjoyed them all.

Dot will be remembered by family and friends as a giving, loving woman of faith who never wanted to be in the limelight.

She was predeceased by her sister, Martha Allen Edgerton; her brother, J. B. Allen, Jr. and her great-great-nephew, Thomas Conner Ellis. She is survived by nieces and nephews, E. J. (Jack) Edgerton, Jr. (Betsy), Allen W. Edgerton (Trish), Fred W. Edgerton (Cindy), Dorothy H. Edgerton (Bill Shaffer), J. B. (Jackie) Allen, III (Connie), Catherine A. (Cappy) Boswell (Chris), William B. (Bill) Allen (Laurie); great-nieces and nephews, Beth Edgerton

Obituaries

Ellis (Aaron), Kay Edgerton Horton (Roger), David Cross (Pam), John E. Edgerton, Will Edgerton, Walker Shaffer, Martha Shaffer, Michelle Allen, J. B. (Ben) Allen, IV, Christine Allen Lekovich (Jimmy), Amanda Allen, Mary Catherine Boswell, William B. (Will) Allen, Jr., Douglas L. Allen; great-great-nieces and nephews, Rachel Horton, Campbell Ellis, Healey Cross, Colin Cross, MaKayla Allen and Brianna Allen; and dear friends Marion McArthur, Nola Andersen and Louise Nazery.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff at Palmetto Health Richland Emergency Room and 10th Floor East for their exceptional and compassionate care for Aunt Dot.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Shandon Baptist Church, 5250 Forest Drive, Columbia, SC 29206; First Baptist Church, 309 Lee Ave., Wadesboro, NC 28170, the Oliver Gospel Mission, 1100 Taylor Street, PO Box 7791, Columbia, SC 29201 or a charity of one's choice.

Please sign the online guestbook at www.dunbarfunerals.com.

Mr. Edward Gray Harrington

Mr. Edward Gray Harrington, 90, died Saturday, March 30, 2012, in the Lillie Bennett Nursing Facility.

Graveside services were held on Tuesday, April 2, 2013, in Anson Memorial Park with Rev. Jimmy Knotts officiating.

Ed was born in Anson County on December 22, 1922, a son of the late William Ellis and Willie Hasty Harrington. He was married to the late Fannie Howard Harrington and was retired from Little Cotton Mfg. and farming.

Survivors include his only daughter, Mary H. Russell and one grandson, John Edward Russell, both of the

home; a brother and three sisters, Frank Harrington, Peggy (Tom) Edwards, and Shirley (Robert) Pigg, all of Charlotte and Betty Rose Taylor of Wadesboro.

Leavitt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at leavittfuneralhomewadesboro.com.

Mrs. Reece Murdock Harrington

Mrs. Reece Murdock Harrington, 93, died Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at Ambassador Health and Rehab in Wadesboro.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 28, 2013, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Steve Hill officiating. Interment followed in Eastview Cemetery.

Reece was born February 20, 1920, in Anson County, a daughter of the late Thomas Walter "T.W." and Adrian Ballard Murdock. She was a graduate of Lilesville High School, a member of Gum Springs Baptist Church and had worked in the office with Alltel, now Windstream.

Surviving are her son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Sarah Harrington of Lilesville; her daughter, Annette Harrington of Lilesville; her grandchildren, Stephanie and Stan Harward of Lilesville and Ginger and Jason Huffstickler of Mooresville; her great-grandchildren, J.F., Ashton and Grant Harward of Lilesville and Dillon and Justin Huffstickler of Mooresville; and her brother, Joe Murdock of Lilesville.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Joel Fant "J.F." Harrington, Jr.

The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the staff at Ambassador Health and Rehab for their exemplary care given to Reece while she was a resident there.

Memorials may be made to Gum Springs Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall Building Fund, c/o Sarah Harrington, 1364 Hailey's Ferry Rd., Lilesville, NC

28091 or to Ambassador Health and Rehab, Activity Department, 2051 Country Club Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

Annie Catherine Sullivan

Annie Catherine Sullivan, 92, died December 18, 2012, in Richmond, Virginia.

A memorial service will be held for her on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at 11 a.m. at Edwards Funeral Home in Norwood, NC.

Ms. Sullivan was born in Anson County and was preceded in death by her brothers, James H. Sullivan, Delma T. Sullivan and William R. Sullivan.

Mr. Arthur Calvin Summers, Jr.

Mr. Arthur Calvin Summers, Jr., 87, died Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at Carolinas Medical Center Union in Monroe.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 29, 2013, at First United Methodist Church, Wadesboro with Rev. Benny Clodfelter officiating. Entombment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Arthur was born January 28, 1926, in Huntington, WV, a son of the late Arthur Calvin and Hattie McCoy Summers. He grew up in Nicholas County, WV. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, having served during World War II.

Arthur was a graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology and earned a Master's Degree from Pennsylvania State University. He did post graduate work at Appalachian State University and earned the Education Specialist Degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Arthur moved to Lilesville in 1949 to become a high school teacher. His adminis-

trative career began in 1956 when he was selected to be the principal of Lilesville School. Four years later, when the county high schools were consolidated, he was chosen to be the first principal of Anson High School. In 1965 he was named Superintendent of the Anson County School System. Then in 1967, the county system merged with the Wadesboro and Morven units; and he was chosen to be the Associate Superintendent of the new system. His leadership, human relations skills and attributes of fairness and impartiality were important as the school system began desegregation in 1967.

In 1975 he was again named to superintendency of the school system where he remained until his retirement in 1987. His educational leadership was recognized throughout the state, and he was honored as NC Superintendent of the year in 1986, a cherished tribute to an impressive career that spanned 38 years as a teacher, coach, principal, associate superintendent and superintendent.

Beyond education, Arthur's spirit of involvement has extended to numerous civic and church activities in Anson County, including First United Methodist Church and Wadesboro Rotary Club. He was an avid

golfer and enjoyed the competition and camaraderie of friends and colleagues on the golf course.

He was affectionately known to his family and friends as "Big A," a title which has significance far beyond his tall stature.

Surviving are his wife, the former Betty Jo Hogsett of the home; his children, Dr. Kathryn S. Clark (Thomas) and Arthur Clifford Summers (Susan), all of Cary, NC and Charles Glenn Summers (Lynn) of Fredricksburg, VA; his grandchildren, Banks and Colin Summers of Raleigh, Amanda Summers Dorazio (Bobby) and Joshua Summers, all of Fredricksburg; three great-grandchildren; and his sister, Mary Lou Summers Meck of Campbell, CA.

In addition to his parents, Arthur was preceded in death by a sister and brother, Geraldine Virginia Summers Mason and Ernest Glenn Summers.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, Scholarship Fund, 118 E. Morgan St., Wadesboro, NC 28170 or to Anson County Relay for Life, c/o Carrie Bunn, 669 McRae Ave., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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