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Obituaries

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

Mrs. Louvenia Johnson Maree

Mrs. Louvenia Johnson Maree, 78, formerly of Wadesboro, died Wednesday, May 7, 2014, following a period of failing health.

Funeral services were held on Friday, May 9, 2014, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jason Lutz officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Louvenia was born April 29, 1936, in Chesterfield County, SC. She worked a number of years for Little Splint which later became Medical Specialties, and also for a brief period at Burlington Hosiery.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Thomas Maree of the home; a daughter, Wanda (Mike) Ussery of Rockingham; four grandchildren, Christina Brown, Angie Burr, Carrie Jane Ussery and Michael Ussery; three great-grandchildren, David Burr, Gracie Brown and Jacob Brown; and four sisters, Ethel Bailey, Darlene Mills, Kathy Medlin and Debbie Small.

One son, David Wayne Maree, preceded her in death.

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

Mrs. Alice Hough Plowman

Mrs. Alice Hough Plowman, 74, formerly of Lilesville, died Monday, May 5, 2014, at the Pinehurst Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, May 8, 2014, in Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Knotts and Rev. Ralph Tice officiating. Interment followed in Lilesville Cemetery.

A native of Anson County, Alice was born January 11, 1940, to the late E D and Allie Ricketts Hough. She graduated high school in 1958 and worked in a number of occupations including textiles, cosmetology, upholstery, notary public, decorating and homemaking. She was a longtime member of the Highland Baptist Church in Southern Pines.

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, James Robert "Bobby" Plowman of the home in Vass; their children, Edie Marie Plowman of Wadesboro, David Lee (Holly) Plowman of Chesterfield, VA, Bobby Darryl Plowman of Carthage, Lisa P. Mata of Asheboro, Tammy P. (Hussein) Sadek of Rock Hill, SC, and Allie (Jasper) Spivey of Carthage; ten grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two brothers, John Hough of Polkton and James Hough of Lilesville.

In addition to her parents, Alice was preceded in death by son James Robert Plowman, Jr. in 1979.

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

Mrs. Ethel Parker Smith

Mrs. Ethel Parker Smith, 96, died Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at Ambassador Health and Rehab.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 10, 2014, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Knotts officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Ethel was born September 21, 1917, in Marlboro County, SC, a daughter one

of ten children of the late Judia Boysworth Parker and the late Benjamin Franklin Parker. She worked for more than 40 years at Wade Manufacturing having been a weave room instructor.

Surviving are her sons, Larry E. Smith of Wadesboro and Harry L. (Janet Smith of Lugoff, SC; daughter-in-law Linda Smith of Wadesboro; daughter and son-in-law, Avis (Denver) Hampton of Huntersville; grandchildren, Steven Smith of Charleston, SC, Jeffery Smith and Leigh Knotts, both of Lugoff, Susan Baringer of Mooresville, Karen Hunt of Huntersville, Kim Gathings of Hope Mills and Brandon Smith of Wadesboro; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents and nine brothers and sisters, she was preceded in death by her husband Eugene Bennett Smith, son Don Smith and granddaughter Donna Smith.

The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to Dr. Victoria Rommel and the staff of Ambassador Health and Rehab for their patience and attentive caring given to their mother while she was in their care.

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 4819 Park Road, Charlotte, NC 28209.

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Mr. Alfred Ray "Bud" Williams

Mr. Alfred Ray "Bud" Williams, 83, died suddenly Saturday, May 10, 2014.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, in Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Randy Swaringen and Rev. Steve

Hill officiating. Interment followed in Bethel Cemetery.

Bud was born in Anson County on June 8, 1930, a son of the late Hamp and Jessie Harrington Williams. He served in the US Army that included a tour of duty in occupied Japan following the end of World War II. He was a retired mechanic with the NC Department of Transportation and a member of Cathedral Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife Betty Boyette Williams of the home; son Michael (Sheri) Williams of Lilesville; daughter Janice (Hugh) Mzingo of Jacksonville, NC; stepdaughter, Sharon Boyette of Wadesboro; nine grandchildren, Michelle Williams, Michael Williams, Jr., Zachary (Hyun Ju) Mzingo, Hannah Mzingo, Mark Mzingo, Matthew Flake, Blain Flake, Britney Smith and Shana Baucom; eight great-grandchildren, Aiden, Addison, Alyssa, Elynn, Erica, Logan, Elias and another Alyssa; brother Albert Williams of Burnsville, NC; and a sister, Cassie Cox of Lilesville.

In addition to his parents Bud was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruby

Carpenter Williams, son A. R. Williams, Jr., and ten of his 12 brothers and sisters.

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Extension Notes Easy Steps for Saving and Celebrating Earth Month

Earth Month was in April. Yeah, we kind of missed that. But the Environmental Protection Agency came up with lots of simple things all families can do to help protect our environment. It would have been better to have started in April, but why not May?

- Here are some great ideas!
- Change five lights. Replace your five most frequently used light bulbs with Energy Star qualified products, and you will reduce carbon pollution while saving \$75 a year on energy bills.
 - Recycle. Recycling helps conserve energy and reduces carbon pollution.
 - Caulk entrances. Homeowners can prevent carbon pollution and save up to \$200 a year in heating and cooling costs by air sealing their homes and adding insulation.
 - Power down. U.S. households spend \$100 per year to power devices not in use. Power down to reduce carbon pollution and save money.
 - Take a shower. Taking a shower uses much less water than filling up a bathtub. Conserving water conserves energy and reduces carbon pollution.
 - Maintain your car. A well-maintained car is more fuel-efficient, produces less carbon pollution, is more reliable, and keeps you safe!
 - Use smart thermostats. Heat and cool smartly to reduce your bills and carbon pollution. A programmable thermostat can save you about \$180 every year in energy costs.
 - Fill your dishwasher. This can prevent 100 pounds of carbon pollution and save you \$40 per year on your water bill.
 - Fix a leak. Conserving water conserves energy and reduces carbon pollution. The average household's leaks can account for more than 10,000 gallons of water wasted every year, or the amount of water needed to wash 270 loads of laundry.
 - Check tire pressure. Check your tire pressure regularly. Under-inflation increases tire wear, reduces your fuel economy, and leads to higher carbon pollution emissions.
 - Clean HVAC area. Airflow problems can add to carbon pollution and reduce your system's efficiency by up to 15%.
 - Turn off the tap. Just by turning off the tap while you brush your teeth in the morning and before bedtime can save up to 8 gallons of water. Conserving water conserves energy and reduces carbon pollution.
 - Insulate water heaters. If you have an older water heater, you save energy and prevent carbon pollution by wrapping your electric water heater with an insulating jacket and save more than \$30 per year on utility bills.
 - Change HVAC filters. The average home spends \$2,000 per year on utility bills, nearly half going to heating and cooling. Clean air filters help your system run more efficiently and reduce carbon pollution.
 - Plug into power strips. Powering devices while they are in a low power accounts for more than \$11 billion in annual US energy costs! Using a power strip for your computer and all peripheral equipment allows you to completely disconnect the power supply from the power source, eliminating standby power consumption and reducing carbon pollution.
 - And finally, wash efficiently. Try washing your clothes in cold water - this is an easy way to save energy and prevent carbon pollution. Hot water heating accounts for about 90% of the energy your machine uses to wash clothes - only 10% goes to electricity used by the washer motor.
- By Janine B. Rywak, County Extension Director

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Resumes will be accepted until May 16, 2014.

Resumes may be mailed to:

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