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## Margaret Sikes Bowers

Margaret Sikes Bowers, beloved mother, grandmother, and mother-in-law, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, July 15, 2024.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 19, 2024, at First United Methodist Church, Wadesboro with Rev. Stacey Lundy officiating. The interment will be in Anson Memorial Park later that day.

The family will greet friends following the service at a reception in the church fellowship hall.

Margaret was born on May 25, 1928, in the Burnsville community of Anson County. She was the daughter of Thomas Clyde and Effie Rushing Sikes. She was a graduate of Burnsville High School and attended Pfeiffer Junior College.

She began her bookkeeping career at B.C. Moore & Sons and later worked at Wadesboro Nursing Home. She became a substitute teacher and tutor at Bowman High School to better accommodate her children's schedule.

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Growing up on a farm instilled in Margaret a strong work ethic as evidenced by her flower gardens and well-maintained yard and driveway.

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Though Margaret was affectionately given many nicknames throughout her life, her very favorite one was MeMa by her grandsons Erik and Kyle.

Margaret was a faithful member of First United Methodist Church, where she especially loved being a part of the Cokesbury Sunday School, United Methodist Women, and the Energizers Club.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Joyce Bowers of Lewisville, Diane Porterfield (Dennis) of Haw River and Thomas Bowers (Carla) of Wingate; grandchildren, Erik Bowers (Melissa) of Richmond, VA and Kyle Bowers (Lindsay) of Wingate; her sisters-in-law, Sheila Sikes, Linda Lewis and Joyce Sikes; numerous nieces and nephews who fondly called her Aunt Margaret; and her extended Sikes family, including Rachel Porter who was more like a sister to her.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, James Benton, her brothers Ross, Lee, Winfred (Wink), Tommy, Paul, and twins Boyce and Joyce Sikes.

Margaret's family is most grateful to Paula Pierre and, most recently, Carol Holloway, Josephine Howard, Shirlene Lucas, Tytiana Lucas, Julie Purser, Amy Whittington, and the Hospice of Union County Team for their loving and compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to First United Methodist Church, 118 E. Morgan St, Wadesboro, NC. 28170 or to Hospice of Union, 700 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Monroe, NC 28110.

The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home and online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

## Dorothy Alise Harrington Smith

Dorothy Alise Harrington Smith, 91, of Hagerstown, MD, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at Doey's House.

Graveside services were held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at Rose Hill Cemetery in Hagerstown, MD with Pastor Joshua McClain officiating.

Born Thursday, January 12, 1933, in Wadesboro, Dorothy was the daughter of the late Frank Harrington and the late Mary (Gathins) Harrington.

Dorothy graduated from Lilesville High School, where she was a cheerleader. In her early years she was employed at Wade Mill in Wadesboro, and later with J.L. Jones Construction in Charlotte. In 1977 they relocated to Hagerstown where Dorothy enjoyed being a wife and mother. She was a member of Hagerstown Church (Formerly First Baptist Church) in Hagerstown. She loved gardening and flowers. Dorothy loved music and singing and sang in a trio with her sister and cousin.

She is survived by her husband of 72 years Walter Jackson Smith, Sr.; son Walter Jackson Smith, Jr. (Kimberly); sister Ruby Sheppard; grandchildren, Grant J.B. Smith (Nicole) and Cole A.B. Smith (Lindsey); and great granddaughter Scarlett Rae Smith; and pending the arrival of great grandson Reese Jackson Smith.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Bruce Harrington and Prentice Harrington and a sister, Gladys Goodman.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Doey's House c/o Hospice of Washington County Hospice 1710 Underpass Way Suite 300. Hagerstown, MD 21740.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Douglas A. Fiery Funeral Home, 1331 Eastern Blvd. North, Hagerstown, MD.

## Mrs. Kathleen "Kat" Jarrell Tyson

On Thursday, July 11, 2024, Mrs. Kathleen "Kat" Jarrell Tyson, 79, passed away peacefully at Atrium Health CMC Main in Charlotte with her family at her bedside.

Funeral services were held on Monday, July 15, 2024, at Red Hill Baptist Church with Rev. Mark Perko officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The family greet friends from on Sunday, July 14, 2024, at Leavitt Funeral Home.

Kat was born June 22, 1945, in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late Reid Franklin Jarrell and Ina Mae Wilhoit Jarrell. She was a graduate of Anson High School.

She worked for many years as a seamstress in textiles in and around Anson County and for 20 years following that she worked with Anson County Schools as a substitute teacher. During holidays and special occasions she would work with Thompson's Flowers and Gifts in Ansonville making deliveries.

Kat loved her family dearly and especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed spending time with her friends and helping others in the community by taking them to doctor appointments and grocery shopping.

Those who are left to cherish her memory are her children, Kathy Jarrell Lineberry of Raleigh, Billy Wayne Jarrell (Tasha) of Monroe, Tammy Tyson Lemmons (Jack) of Norwood and Jamie Tyson (Mandy) of Ansonville; her grandchildren, Eddie Lemmons of Norwood, Heather Lemmons Hildreth of Rockingham, Dimitri Jarrell of Wadesboro, Danta Jarrell, of Monroe, Davante Jarrell and Ashley Jarrell, both of Charlotte, Ethan Lineberry and Kendall Lineberry, both of Raleigh and Kayleigh Tyson and Rameses Tyson, both of Ansonville; her great-grandson M.J. Hildreth; her sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Janie Randall and Smokey Tyson (Catherine), both of Ansonville, Nancy McMillan (Jim) and Geraldine Johnson, both of Norwood, Dot Fitton of Albemarle and Katherine Tyson of Polkton; special family friends who she loved like her sons, Scott Thompson of Ansonville and Bobby Burr of Wadesboro; Trinity Boone who she loved like a granddaughter; her beloved Chihuahua Minnie; and her nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Jimbo Tyson; her granddaughter Kennedy Jarrell and her nephew Homer "Tiger" Jarrell.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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We are deeply grateful for all your acts of kindness extended to us during the passing of our beloved **Anthony ("Tony")**. The cards, calls, texts, words of encouragement, prayers, and the many expressions of love and kindness have been a comfort to our family.

**The Family of Anthony Lee Hough, Sr.**

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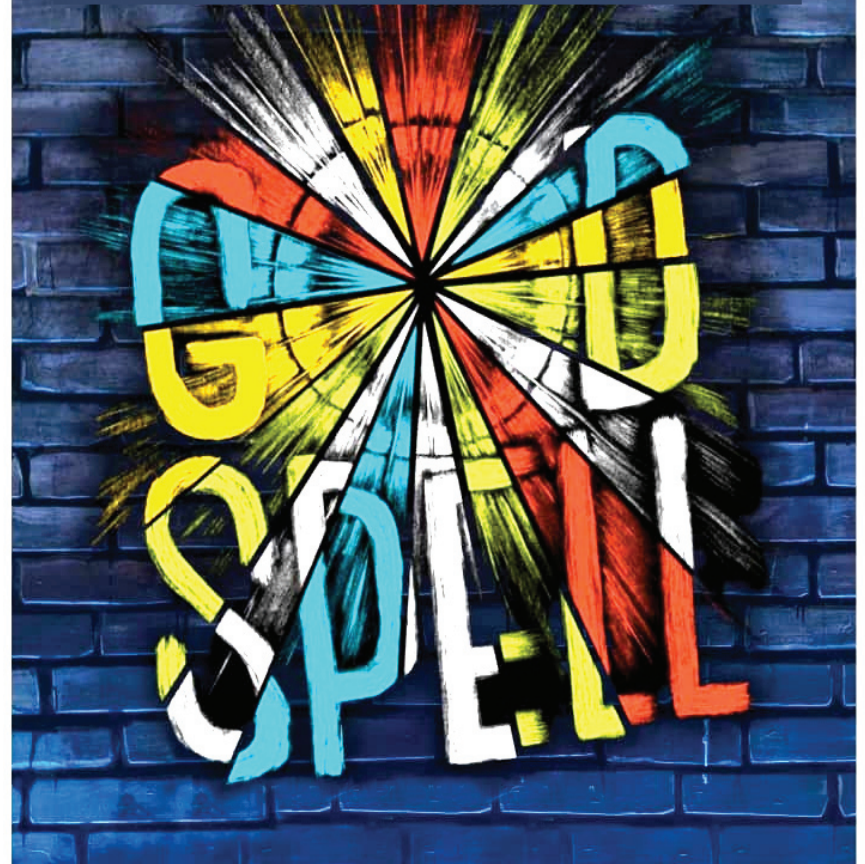
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