

On Monday, August 21, 2023, with his family gathered by Mr. Micheal William Deese passed away peacefully to his heavenly home.

Funeral services will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25, 2023, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Delane Burris officiating. Interment will follow in Morven Cemetery.

The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home and other times at the home.

Micheal was born September 21, 1945, in Anson County, and was one of eight children born to Abner Lee "Tab" Deese and Annie Elizabeth "Sue" Chewing Deese. He was a 1963 graduate of Wadesboro High School. Drafted during the Vietnam War, he was a part of the artillery maintenance division and was honorable discharged in 1967. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Overseas Service Bar and Marksman recognition.

Micheal had a long career in textiles, having worked with Wansona Manufacturing until their closing. He later retired from Hornwood in Lilesville.

He was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church and was a member of the Men's Sunday School Class. He thought highly of his friends in Sunday School, and they often enjoyed talking about gardening and fishing.

A devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, those left to cherish his memory are his wife of nearly 56 years, Jewel Hildreth Deese; his son Micheal Keith Deese (Tammy) of Rockingham; his grandsons, Micheal Tyler Deese (Kaileigh) of Carolina Beach and Patrick Logan Deese of Charlotte; his great-grandchildren, Kristian and Jayde Meeks of Carolina Beach; his brothers and sisters, Abner Deese, Jr. of Birmingham, AL, Carlton Deese (Donna) of Wadesboro, Libby Evans (Tom) of Houston, TX and Abbie McKenzie of Lexington, SC; his sisters-in-law, Thelma Carpenter of York, SC and Virginia Holloway (Martin) of Polkton; his nieces and nephews and their families; and many dear friends.

Micheal was an avid outdoorsman and especially enjoyed fishing. Spending time with his family on long walks through the woods and picnics at the river were among his favorite pastimes. He enjoyed collecting antique soda bottles and was proud of his extensive collection. He was proud of his family and their accomplishments and was supportive of them in all they endeavored.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to Richmond County Hospice Haven, 1119 N US 1 Hwy, Rockingham, NC 28379.

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

Mr. Kenneth Steve Maree

On Wednesday, July 26, 2023, Mr. Kenneth Steve Maree, 76, passed away peacefully at his home with his wife and family gathered by.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

The family greeted friends one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home and other times at their home.

Steve was born January 13, 1947, in Anson County, and was a son of the late Lonnie Maree and the late Emma Tyson Maree. He was a graduate of Wadesboro High School and Kings Business College in Charlotte. He was a veteran of the United States Army, having served 10 months in Vietnam during his tour of duty. He was a member of North Wadesboro Baptist Church.

Steve made a career in convenience store operations, and was the owner and operator of North Wadesboro Grocery for 30 years prior to his retirement.

Steve enjoyed woodworking, piddling with his tractor and spending time with his canine companion "Trooper," a beloved Golden Retriever.

Those left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife of 35 years, Elaine Hall Maree; his daughter Samantha (Kevin) Boone; his grandchildren, Hailey Nicole Boone and Billy Boone; his great-grandson Grayson Boone; his brother-in-law and sisters-in-law, Randy Hall, Ellie (Howell) Mauldin and Lucy (Howard) Mauldin; and his niece and nephew, Kimberly Lemmons and Keith Lemmons.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister Carolyn Maree Lemmons.

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

Mr. Edward Felix Thompson

On Wednesday, August 16, 2023, with his family gathered nearby, Mr. Edward Felix Thompson, 82, went to be at home with his Lord while being cared for at McWhorter Hospice House in Monroe.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, August 20, 2023, at Red Hill Baptist Church with Rev. Rodney Clements and Rev. Larry Rutledge officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery. The family greeted friends on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at Leavitt Funeral Home and other times at the home.

Felix was born January 24, 1941, in Anson County, and was a son of the late Edward Thompson and the late Geneva High Thompson. He was a graduate of Ansonville High School.

He worked in floor covering sales and installation for more than 52 years. He and his wife retired from their business in Polkton, Thompson Floor Covering, in 2013.

Felix was a faithful member of Red Hill Baptist Church where he was ordained a deacon, sang in both the choir and men's ensemble. He was a member of the Brotherhood and Good News Sunday School Class. He dearly loved his church family.

He also enjoyed talking on his Ham radio, coaching parks and recreation basketball and serving as a basketball official.

It is no secret that Felix married his childhood sweetheart. He and Betty Gray Thomas started dating when they were 15 and 16. They were married August 15, 1959, and were blessed with a beautiful marriage and wonderful family.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Betty Gray Thomas Thompson; his children, Phil Thompson (Dixie) of Monroe, Jeff Thompson (Tammy) of Midland and Crystal Bowles (Dean) of Wilmington; his grandchildren, Jamie Parker (Allison) of Charlotte, Chase Thompson and Brent Thompson, both of Monroe, Nicole Bowles of Rockingham, Phillip Bowles (Courtney) of Wrightsville Beach, Abigail Bowles of Wilmington, Andy Kiker of Charlotte, Austin Kiker of Midland and Susan Kiker of Locust; his great-grandchildren, Tanner, Connor and Matty Parker, Gage Thompson, and Landon and Meredith Honeycutt; his sister Sara "Sis" Little of Oakboro; his sister-in-law Jenny Thompson of Hamlet; his brothers-in-law, Charles Thomas (Carol) of Wilmington and Randy Thomas (Peggy) of Chadbourne; and his nieces and nephews and their families.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother Charles Thompson and his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law, Wayne "Bud" Little, Billy Frank Thomas and Chis Gross.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Red Hill Baptist Church Brotherhood, c/o, Stephanie Maner, P.O. Box 207, Ansonville, NC 28007.

Felix's family is most grateful for the outpouring of love and concern for him during this time of declining health, especially to their Red Hill Church Family and to Hospice of Union County.

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Wadesboro Lions Club Welcomes New Members

The Wadesboro Lions Club meets at the Papa Joe's Restaurant the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information about these meetings or becoming a member, please call Lion Jim Chandler at 910-571-1448.

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FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (FOGS) EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

In an effort to reduce the potential for Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO), the Public Works staff of the Town of Polkton has compiled the following information to help educate our water and sewer customers concerning the best management practices for the disposal of household Fats, Oils, and Greases (FOGs).

How to dispose of Fat, Oil & Grease

- 1) Allow to cool
- 2) Use a container with a lid.
- 3) Pour the cooled grease or oil into a container
- 4) Place lid on container
- 5) Scrape or wipe cookware using paper towels or spatula into the garbage before washing.

Don't Feed the Grease Goblin!

DO

- ✓ Put oil and grease in collection containers
- ✓ Remove oil and grease from kitchen utensils, equipment and food preparation areas with scrapers/towels/brooms
- ✓ Keep grease out of wash water
- ✓ Place food scraps in collection containers

DO NOT

- ✗ Pour oil and grease down drains
- ✗ Wash fryers/griddles, pots/pans and plates with water until oil and grease are removed
- ✗ Use hot water to rinse grease off surfaces
- ✗ Put food scraps down drains

NC Environmental Assistance and Customer Service
www.nc.gov

No Alimento a el Duende de Grasa!

SI

- ✓ Ponga la grasa en contenedores apropiados
- ✓ Remueva el aceite y la grasa de utensilios de cocina, equipos, y areas de preparaci3n de comidas con espátulas/toallas/escobas
- ✓ Mantenga la grasa fuera de el agua de lavar
- ✓ Ponga los desperdicios de comida en contenedores adecuados

NO

- ✗ No tire aceite o grasa en los drenajes
- ✗ No lave con agua freidora/planchas, ollas,cacerolas y platos hasta que el aceite y la grasa hayan sido removidos
- ✗ Noe use aua caliente para limpiar la grasa de las superficies
- ✗ No tire desperdicios de comida en los drenajes

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