



Mrs. Marie Dockery Clark

Mrs. Marie Dockery Clark exchanged time for eternity while a patient at Bethany Woods Nursing Center in Albemarle, NC on Monday, August 9, 2021.

Graveside service was held on Sunday, August 15, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at Cedar Hill A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery, 691 Springer Road in Ansonville.

Marie was born on December 20, 1941, in Anson County, a daughter of the late Lewis and Mary Jane Dockery. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Lemuel Clark, Sr.; her son, Perry Clark; her sister, Dorothy McClendon; her brothers, John Henry Smith, Willie Lewis Dockery and Walter Clyde Dockery.

Marie received her formal education in the public schools of Anson County. After many years of employment, she retired from Collins Aikman Company in Norwood, NC. Marie accepted Christ at an early age, and joined Cedar Hill A.M.E. Zion Church, where she remained a member all of her life. Marie was a loyal member of Cedar Hill Gospel Choir, served as a Deaconess, a member of the Life Member Council, Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, and the Kitchen Committee until her health declined.

She leaves to cherish her memory one daughter, Patty Clark (Kevin Miller) of High Point, NC; one son, Lemuel Clark, Jr. of Charlotte, NC; one sister, Hattie Dockery of Norwood; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a special daughter, Cynthia Wright of Greensboro, NC; six sisters-in-law, Mattie Clark of Ansonville, Betty Smith of Detroit, MI, Leola Clark of Norwood, Sarah Clark of Oakboro, NC, Nadina Clark of Thomasville, NC, and Harriette Dockery of High Point, NC; a number of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends with whom she had meaningful and lasting relationships.

Final arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Service, Inc., High Point, NC.

Governor Roy Cooper Proclaimed August 26 as Women's Equality Day

In a proclamation signing, Governor Roy Cooper proclaimed August 26 as Women's Equality Day in North Carolina, a day that honors women trailblazers both past and present who have fought for full rights and privileges that have been historically available to men.

"Today, we honor the women who have shaped our communities and who continue the fight for gender equality," said Governor Cooper. "There is more work to do and smart, strong and effective women leaders across our state are paving the way."

This day also recognizes the ongoing disparity among women and the continued effort to advocate for the rights and privileges for all people regardless of sex, race, religion, or socioeconomic status.

"The COVID-19 pandemic magnified many inequities within our communities and across the country," said NC Department of Administration Secretary Pamela B. Cashwell. "While progress has been made, we have work to do to continue improving disparities impacting women and our communities of color."

Established in 1971, today marks the 50th anniversary of Women's Equality Day, a day which also celebrates the passage of the 19th Amendment that granted some women the right to vote. The 2020 Status of Women in North Carolina: Political Participation Report found that while women in North Carolina have been voting at slightly higher rates in recent years, their representation in elected office has declined. This report is one of several produced by the NC Department of Administration's Council for Women and Youth Involvement in collaboration with the Institute for Women's Policy highlighting disparities among North Carolina women in the areas of employment and earnings, health and wellness, and political participation.

According to the 2018 Status of Women in North Carolina: Employment and Earnings Report, women comprise 51 percent of our state's population but earn an average of \$8,600 less than men. North Carolina also ranks towards the middle and bottom of most indicators for women's health and wellness when compared to other states and the District of Columbia, according to the Status of Women in North Carolina: Health and Wellness Report released in 2019.

However, the number of women in leadership roles across state government agencies has nearly doubled in the last 20 years, with more currently serving than ever before in North Carolina, improving diversity in decision-making roles that impact all North Carolinians. The most recent report from the Council for Women and their Advisory Board, Exploiting Inequity: A Pandemic's Gendered and Racial Toll on the Women and Families of North Carolina, released in December 2020, outlines how COVID-19 has exacerbated inequalities in North Carolina, particularly for women.

In celebration of Women's Equality Day all North Carolinians are encouraged to commend and support organizations and activities that advocate for social progress and equality for all.

Book Signing by Local Author Sandra Z. Bruney

The Anson County Arts Council invites you to celebrate local author Sandra Bruney's latest novel, *Bethann*. Get your own copy of Sandy's book personally autographed while you enjoy spending the afternoon at this event.

The event takes place on Sunday, September 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Drake Gallery & Studio, located at 108 South Rutherford Stret in Wadesboro, next door to the Ansonia Theatre. Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information call 704-694-4950.

Sandhills Center Family Support Webinars for September

September 9: Multi-Systemic Therapy webinar will be held virtually from 11:30-12:30 on Thursday, September 9th. Representatives from Trinity Services will present. Discussion will be regarding what Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST) is, how MST is delivered in a COVID environment, who qualifies for MST, and how referrals are made. To register, contact Adrian Standish at leeharnettfsp@yahoo.com or 910-985-0126. Upon registration, you will be sent the link to the webinar.

September 9: Eating Disorder webinar will be held from 1:00-2:00 pm via Zoom. Karen Hayes MS, RD, LDN, FirstHealth of the Carolinas Diabetes & Nutrition Center will be the guest speaker. To register, contact Shirlyn Morrison-Sims at search.family.support.program@gmail.com or 919-906-7103. Upon registration, a link to the web meeting will be sent.

September 13: Suicide Among Youth- Pre and Post COVID webinar will be held from 1:00-2:30 pm via WebEx. Portia Purcell, MA, NCC, LCMHC, LCAS will be the presenter. Contact Suzanne Maness for more info or to register call (910) 627-1769 or email connectionsfsp@gmail.com. Registration deadline is September 10, 2021.

September 17: Spirit of Resilience: Recognizing the Champions of COVID is a community event recognizing educators, first responders, youth leaders, mental health providers and faith leaders that demonstrated empathy by providing vital support to

vulnerable children and families during the pandemic, and they will be honored. Sponsored by the Guilford County System of Care Collaborative, this live event will be held at the United Way of Greensboro, 1500 Yanceyville Street, Greensboro, NC from 4:00 - 6:30 P.M. To nominate people or for more information, contact Valerie Jones, the System of Care Coordinator at valeriej@sandhillscen-ter.org or LaMonica Mitchell, Family Support Advocate, at 1-877-425-4030 or email guilfordfs-padvocate@gmail.com.



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FIRST PUBLIC HEARING



Notice is hereby given that the Town of Morven will hold a public hearing on September 7, 2021, at 6pm at the Glennie Bennett Community Center to solicit public input on local community development and needs in relation to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for a project in our community.

The Town of Morven anticipates submitting a CDBG application in program year 2021. Information on the amount of funding available, the requirements on benefit to low- and moderate-income persons, eligible activities, and plans to minimize displacement and provide displacement assistance as necessary will be available.

Citizens will also be given the opportunity to provide oral and written comment on the Town of Morven's use of CDBG funds. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

For additional information or to submit written comments, send to Corinthia L. Lewis-Lemon / Clerk at 704-851-9321 or at Town of Morven, 301 Main Street, Morven, NC 28119. Comments should be postmarked by September 3, 2021.

If you plan to attend and require special accommodations because of a disability or physical impairment, please contact Corinthia L. Lewis-Lemon at 704-851-9321 or TDD# by September 3, 2021, before the hearing.

This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact Corinthia L. Lewis-Lemon at 704-851-9321 or at Town of Morven, 301 Main Street, Morven, NC 28119 for accommodations for this request.

Esta informacion esta disponible en espanol o en cualquier otro idioma bajo peticion. Por favor, pongase en contacto con Corinthia L. Lewis-Lemon, al 704-851-9321 o Town of Morven, 300 Main Street, de alojamiento para esta solicitud.

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