

Obituaries

Mrs. Sylvia Jarrell Jenrette Gagliano

On Sunday, August 22, 2021, Mrs. Sylvia Jarrell Jenrette Gagliano of Monroe and formerly of Wadesboro, passed away at her home.

Funeral services were held on Friday, August 27, 2021, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home in Wadesboro with Dr. Harry Workman officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park.

Sylvia was born in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late Homer Lee Jarrell and the late Mildred Rushing Jarrell. She was a graduate of Wadesboro High School and Wingate College.

She worked for Wansona in Wadesboro until their closing and then worked with CMH Flooring Products in their accounting department. Following her retirement and upon moving to Monroe, she worked part-time with Williams Accounting.

While in Wadesboro Sylvia was an active member of First Baptist Church, Wadesboro where she served as Sunday School Superintendent, sang in the Chancel Choir and was a member of the Handbell Choir.

Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Bo Hood of Peachland; her grandchildren, Kirstie Rowland (Kevin) of Mt. Pleasant and Destry Horne of Peachland; and her great-grandchildren, Kenadee and Kenslee.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, Bill Jenrette and Pete Gagliano and her half brothers and half-sister, Rufus, Carl and Margaret.

Sylvia will be remembered as a loving and devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and friend. We cannot forget her vibrant smile or her sense of style and fashion. It was in her soft spoken words that she supported her family and friends always.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church, P.O. box 423, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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

Mrs. Linda Cassidy Lowery

Mrs. Linda Cassidy Lowery, 72, died Sunday, August 22, 2021, while a resident at Anson Health and Rehab.

A service to celebrate her life was held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jason Pope officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery. The family greeted friends before the service from 3:00 until 4:00 p.m.

Born in Anson County on August 27, 1948, Linda was a daughter of the late Boyd Cassidy and the late Alice Harrington Tyson. While a small child, Linda's dad died in an accident and her mother remarried Sam Tyson who was a wonderful father and provider for the family.

Linda was a longtime hairdresser in the Wadesboro community, having worked early on for other operators, but in later years was self-employed. She was a member of Mt. Beulah Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son Gene A. "Audie" Lowery, Jr. (Kim) of Stanfield; a daughter Genia L. Helms (Ricky) of Wadesboro; three grandchildren, Daren Honeycutt, Austin Hatley and Seth Helms; and one great-grandchild, Bexleigh Honeycutt.

Also surviving are two brothers, Tommy Cassidy of Chesterfield and William "Bill" Bullard of Stanfield.

In addition to her parents, Linda was preceded in death by her stepfather Sam Tyson; a sister Barbara Edwards; a grandson A.J. Lowery; and a great-grandchild Remington Honeycutt.

The family suggest memorials be made to Hospice of Anson County, 700 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Monroe, NC 28110.

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

Mr. Thomas Wayne "TW" Sheppard, Jr.

On Tuesday, August 24, 2021, Mr. Thomas Wayne "TW" Sheppard, Jr., beloved husband, father, son and friend passed away at FirstHealth Richmond Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 28, 2021, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home in Wadesboro. The family greeted friends from 10:00am until 11:45 a.m. at the funeral home prior to the service.

Due to the rise in COVID 19 cases, the family respectfully asked those in attendance to wear a face mask and practice social distancing.

TW was born August 29, 1982, in Anson County, and was the son of Pamela Deese Sheppard and the late Thomas Wayne Sheppard. He was a graduate of Anson Senior High School and was a truck driver for Heniff Transportation in Hamlet.

He is survived by his wife Rhiannon McGhee Sheppard; his children, Skylar Sheppard and Jacob Sheppard, both of Rockingham; his mother Pam Sheppard of Morven; his grandmothers, Patricia Thompson of Wadesboro and Vella Deese of Monroe; his Aunt Michelle Runyan (Shaun) of Polkton; his cousins, Brittany Poplin (Darren) of Polkton, Bianca Goodwin of Morven, Ivy Adams and Hayeden Runyan, both of Polkton, all of whom were like sisters to TW; his father-in-law Ronald McGhee of Polkton; his sisters-in-law, Rhonda Herring Wilford (Kevin) of Ft. Mill, SC and Robyn Clark (Kelly) of Charlotte; his brother-in-law Ronnie McGhee, Jr. of Monroe; close friends who were like his brothers, C.J. Little of Monroe, Rodney "RIP" Liles of Rockingham and Chris Wright of Morven; and many other relatives, cousins and friends.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by an infant child, his grandparents, Buford Deese, Jerry and Frances Sheppard and Barry Thompson, his great-grandmother Mabel Jerman, his uncle Dale Deese and his niece Erin Clark.

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

Mr. Donald Lawson Thompson

On Saturday, August 28, 2021, Mr. Donald Lawson Thompson, 77, went to be with his Lord and Savior while a patient at Atrium Health in Monroe.

Funeral service will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 2, 2021, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Knotts officiating. The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Burial will be later in the Hunter Cemetery in Hunter, AR where his family is all laid to rest.

Don was born May 21, 1944, in Hunter and was a son of the late Thomas Ray Thompson and the late Mamie Lawson Thompson. He was the owner and operator of Don's Hairstyling in Lilesville for more than 40 years.

He was a charter member of Victory Baptist Church in Lilesville where he was active in the church's ministries.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Donald E. Thompson (Susan) of Phoenix, AZ, Kelly James (Billy) of McAlester, OK, Bridget London-Webb (Clark) of Ft. Smith, AR and Jeffery Thompson of McAlester; his grandchildren,

Odin Trammell (Heather) of Gowen, OK, Gabriel London (Stephanie) of Conway, AR, Erica Williams (Chris) and Robert London, III (Ashley) both of Ft. Smith, Jacob Thompson of McAlester and Elizabeth Thompson of Oklahoma City, OK; his great-grandchildren, Chloe, Jaden and Jarrett Trammell, Lena London and Braelynn Williams; his brother Darrell Thompson of Hunter and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Also left behind are Don's bonus family, Wendy Duncan of Monroe and David Beaver (Jennifer) of Indian Trail and their children, Rachel Duncan, Dallas Beaver (Maria), Madigan Beaver, Brien Loomis (Wyatt Poole) and Kadence.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his companion Betty Beaver and his sisters and brothers, Glendale Thompson, Lethy Grantham, Mary Frances McIver, Rayford Thompson, Ralph Thompson, Idhalia Rodriguez, Geraldine Sitzes and Judy Herning

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Victory Baptist Church, P.O. Box 38, Lilesville, NC 28091.

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

Mr. Gregory Alan Tyson

Mr. Gregory Alan Tyson, 58, passed away Saturday, August 28, 2021, at Atrium Health Anson in Monroe.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 3, 2021, by the graveside in Red Hill Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Rodney Clements officiating. The family will greet friends following the service and other times at the home of his mother.

Greg was born December 31, 1962, in Stanly County, NC and was a son of Katherine Ferree Tyson and the late Charles Bruston Tyson. He was a graduate of Bowman High School, had worked as a welder and was a member of Red Hill Baptist Church.

Surviving are his sons, Alan Tyson (Kimberly) of Wadesboro and Adam Tyson (Taylor) of Polkton; his grandchildren, Easton, Baylin, Madison and Carter; his mother Katherine Tyson of Polkton; his brother Willie Tyson (Linda) of Polkton; his sister-in-law Jayne Tyson of Norwood; his mother-in-law Edna Weidner of Wadesboro; his sisters-in-law, Angie Levy (Steve) and Hollie Willis (John), all of Wake Forest; his nephews and nieces, James Tyson (Mary) and Brittany Tyson all of Polkton, Matthew Tyson (Sarah) of Wendell, Jennifer Hicks (Robert), Ahsley Bartrug (Patrick) and Michael Tyson (Erica), all of Albemarle, Meagan Robinson (Jordan) of Wilmington, Amanda Levy, Avery Willis and Morgan Willis, all of Wake Forest and their families.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his wife Paula Tyson and his brother Mike Tyson.

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

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



Mr. Benjamin Clifton "Benjy" Brasington

Mr. Benjamin Clifton "Benjy" Brasington, 82, left us for his heavenly home on Thursday, August 26, 2021, while a patient at Novant Health in Matthews.

A service to celebrate his life was held on Sunday, August 29, 2021, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Stacey Lundy officiating. Interment followed in Anson Memorial Park. The family greeted friends

from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday at Leavitt Funeral Home.

Born in Anson County on June 8, 1939, Benjy was a son of the late Benjamin Clifton Brasington, Sr. and Jennie Brower Brasington. He graduated Wadesboro High School in 1957 and Wingate Junior College two years later. While in high school and at Wingate, Benjy was a member of the track team and enjoyed telling stories about his early athletic prowess.

In 1959 Benjy, along with his father, opened Brasington's, Inc., a successful business endeavor that found Benjy still serving his faithful customer base up until the time of his death.

Benjy was a lifelong member of First United Methodist Church having served in many offices and positions. His favorite church activity was attending the Men's Wesley Bible Sunday School Class, where members call out the numbers of their favorite hymns before singing lustily...sometimes on key, sometimes not.

Benjy was also active with local civic groups. In his younger years he was a member of the Jaycees and for the last 30+ years was an active member of the Rotary Club, where he was honored both for his outstanding service to Rotary and as a Paul Harris Fellow. For many years, when Anson County operated its own hospital, Benjy was honored to serve as a Trustee on the Hospital Board.

Benjy enjoyed life and had many hobbies, including flying his own airplane, a Piper Comanche. He was an avid hunter and skeet shooter, and his trusty shotgun was never far away. He was an accomplished amateur photographer and has a photograph collection to prove it. Benjy also enjoyed swimming, boating, horses and singing – especially Elvis songs!

However, the greatest joy in Benjy's life came from his loving family. He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife of 60 years, Evelyn "Patsy" Poplin Brasington of the home; a son, Benjy Brasington, III (Carla Burris and her daughter Camden) of Oak Ridge; two grandchildren, Natalie White (Thomas Gavlik) and Hunter Brasington; and one great-grandchild, Peyton-Rae Gavlik.

Also surviving is his sister Sharlia Reagan; one brother-in-law Ebbie Poplin; four sisters-in-law, Betty Martin, Judy Carpenter (Sonny), Kayda Tyson and Sarah Harrington (Steve); and his faithful four-legged companion Gidget.

In addition to his parents, Benjy was preceded in death by a son, Robert Henry Brasington; a sister, Janet Coffman; and the best dog a man could ever have, Jack.

The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church, 118 E. Morgan Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170 or to a charity of your choice.

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