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# Obituaries

of Clinton, TN and Legrand (Sandy) Caulder of Jacksonville, FL; his grandchildren, Tommy Buckingham, Payton Buckingham, Brooke Caulder, Jason (Deborah) Caulder, Mitchell (Brittany) Caulder and Matthew Caulder; and his sisters and brother, Mary Jordan and Sue (Joe) Thomas, all of Polkton and Clinton (Jewel) Harward of Peachland.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Chris Caulder and a sister, Betsy Lanier.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hopewell United Methodist Church, c/o Susie McSwan, 424 Park Rd., Peachland, NC 28135 or to Hospice of Union County, 700 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Monroe, NC 28110.

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

## Mr. Preston Junior Horne

Mr. Preston Junior Horne, 83, died Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at Hopewell United Methodist Church with Rev. Jeremiah Johnson and Rev. Jim Church officiating. A private interment with military honors will take place at a later date in the church cemetery.

Robert was born August 12, 1934, in Anson County, a son of the late Robert Rankin Harward and the late Jennie Mae Polk Harward. He was a graduate of Burnsville High School and attended both Anson Technical College and South Piedmont Community College.

He was a lifelong member of Hopewell United Methodist Church, and was a veteran of the United States Army. He was retired from Brown Creek Correctional Institute and Lowe's of Monroe.

Surviving are his wife of 43 years, Shirley Honeycutt Harward; his children, Jennifer (Wheeler) Buckingham of Polkton, Jeff (Jill) Caulder

Harleigh, Abbey and Briana; special friend Mildred Baucom of Monroe; and special nieces and nephew who were very helpful in caring for Preston, Sheila Harward, Sandra Watkins and Ross Puckett.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Barbara Helms Horne, daughter Patty Dean Horne and his brothers and sisters, Frank Horne, William Horne, Lewis Horne, Effie Smith, Lola Hildreth, Ollie Horne, Ada Puckett, Frances Horne and Flossie Horne.

In lieu of flowers memorials, may be made to Harmony Community Church, P.O. Box 138, Peachland, NC 28133. or to Anson Community Hospice, c/o Richmond Hospice, PO Box 250, Marshville, NC 28379.

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

## Mrs. Kate Hill Mabry

Mrs. Kate Hill Mabry, 93, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 18, 2017, at the Olive Branch Family Care Home in Marshville.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 21, 2017, at Calvary Episcopal Church with Rev. Tim Hushion officiating. Burial follow in the Bennett Family Cemetery.

Kate was born in Anson County on December 20, 1923, a daughter of the late Benjamin Ridsen Hill and Nezzie Smith Hill. She graduated from Wadesboro High School and went on to work as a seamstress for several garment manufacturers for over 42 years.

But, Kate was perhaps best known for her next 22 years spent as a Walmart greeter. Every local Walmart shopper knew Kate by name and she knew many of them by

their names as well. Survivors include daughter Katrena M. Davis (David) of Peachland; son Ridsen Mabry (Cynthia) of Peachland; daughter-in-law Sandra Mabry of Peachland; four grandchildren, Kristina Forbes, Lenelle White (Joel), Candice Mabry (Travis) and Leah Mabry; four great-grandchildren, David Forbes, Craig Forbes, Luke White and Bennett Robertson; her very special companion and dance partner Frank Ratliff; and her extra close caregivers/friends, Mary Stover, and Randy and Rhonda Carpenter.

Kate was preceded in death by her husband Luke Mabry and son Rod Mabry.

Memorials may be made to the Olive Branch Family Care Home, PO Box 250, Marshville, NC 28103; or to Calvary Episcopal Church, Lawn Maintenance, 308 E. Wade St., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

Leavitt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

## Mrs. Sarah Ricketts Pratt

Mrs. Sarah Ricketts Pratt, 96, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at Woodridge Assisted Living in Monroe.

Funeral services were held on Friday, December 22, 2017, at Leavitt Funeral Home with Rev. Donald Wallace officiating. Interment followed at Anson Memorial Park.

Mrs. Pratt was born in Anson county on August 22, 1921, a daughter of the late Clifton Eugene Ricketts and Lillian Hudson Ricketts. She was a lifetime member of Mt. Beulah Baptist Church and was retired from the West Knitting Co.

Survivors include three children, Angela Pratt

Byrd of Enterprise, AL, Vivian Pratt Reynolds (Bill) of Midland, and Ernie Pratt (Sandra) of Mint Hill; six grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Pratt was preceded in death by seven siblings, Elsie Hannah, Evan Ricketts, Gene Ricketts, Ruth Lear, Naomi Parker, Bonnie Honeycutt and Daniel Ricketts.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Beulah Baptist Church, 3373 Country Club Rd., Wadesboro, NC 28170.

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**Deadline is December 29, 2017. Please send resumes to ACDVC, P.O. Box 694, Wadesboro, NC 28170**

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Or you may bring resume by our Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 304 East Wade Street in Wadesboro. Please include which position you are applying for. Our office is located in Calvary Episcopal Church at the back in basement. Any questions please call (704) 694-4499. Please no emails or PM via Facebook.

## Health Department Awarded Reaccreditation Designation

Anson County Health Department was one of nine health departments that were awarded reaccreditation status by the North Carolina Local Health Department Accreditation (NCLHDA) Board on December 19. The others are Catawba County Public Health, Craven County Health Department, Granville-Vance District Health Department, Harnett County Health Department, Lenoir County Health Department, Macon County Health Department, Nash County Health Department and Stanly County Health Department.

"All of the agencies recently achieving reaccreditation have much to be proud of. They have not only demonstrated their ability to meet a set of important performance standards, but excelled in many areas. Through reaccreditation, these agencies demonstrate a strong commitment to continuously work to improve the quality of services provided to their respective communities," commented Amy Bellflower Thomas, NC Local Health Department Accreditation Administrator.

Reaccredited with Honors designation was awarded to four agencies - Anson County Health Department, Catawba County Public Health, Granville-Vance District Health Department, and Macon County Health Department. This honorary designation was implemented for the first time in Fall of 2017 to recognize agencies that especially excelled in their accreditation assessment by missing one or less activities within each of five standards set by the NCLHDA program. The program is especially pleased to see that this special recognition was achieved by such a diverse group of local health departments - including a district model and a health department of only nineteen employees.

North Carolina is the first state in the country to mandate accreditation for its local health departments. The purpose of the accreditation program is to assure a basic level of capacity and services in each of the local health departments across the state.

Since the pilot program involving six local health departments began in 2004, all eighty-five health departments have been accredited in NC and 82 have been reaccredited at least once. The process of accreditation includes three major components - a self-assessment completed by the agency, a site visit by a multidisciplinary team of peers to review performance standards, and determination of accreditation status by an independent Accreditation Board comprised of state and local public health officials, Board of Health members, County Commissioners, and public members.

The NC Local Health Department Accreditation program is a collaboration of the North Carolina Institute for Public Health (part of the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), the North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors, and the North Carolina Division of Public Health (part of the NC Department of Health and Human Services).

## Anson County Writers' Club Welcomes New Members

The Anson County Writers' Club meets on the fourth Sunday of each month, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the fellowship hall of First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro, except in July and December. All meetings are open to the public. New members of all ages are welcome.

For more information call Sandy Bruney at 704-694-5211 or email [sandybruney@gmail.com](mailto:sandybruney@gmail.com).

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