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CURTIS LEE FELKEL, JR.
September 21, 1946 – February 23, 2015

Reverend Curtis L. Felkel, Jr., of 3756 Homestead Road, Bowman, South Carolina, entered into his heavenly home Monday, February 23, 2015 after a brief battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loving wife, family and friends, at Palmetto Health Richland Hospital, Columbia, SC.

Rev. Felkel was born September 21, 1946, in Orangeburg, SC, the son of the late Curtis L. Felkel, Sr. and Margaret Wiles Felkel. He was a graduate of Cameron High School, Cameron, SC, class of 1964, and attended Columbia Commercial College, Columbia, SC, and was a graduate of Emory University Candler School of Theology, Atlanta, GA, in 2013. He served in the ministry for the last 13 years. Rev. Felkel was called into the Ministry at the age of 50 previously serving as a Lay Leader. He was currently ministering the Rowesville Charge, which included Bethel United Methodist Church, Orangeburg, SC, Cattle Creek United Methodist Church, Rowesville, SC, and New Hope UMC, Rowesville, SC. Previously he served at Eutawville UMC in Eutawville, SC, for 3 years. He was a member of Wightman United Methodist Church, Bowman, SC. Rev. Felkel worked faithfully with the youth and the young at heart. He initiated the first Vacation Bible School at the Rowesville charge and developed a loving and strong relationship with the children in the community. Curtis was very involved as a Sunday school teacher and youth leader in his early years. Throughout his ministry, Rev. Felkel led and taught numerous Bible studies and was often called to speak at public and private schools to share his testimony and his teachings.

He was retired from the U.S. Postal Service after serving for 28 years and coached at Bowman Academy, Bowman, SC, for many years. He enjoyed coaching baseball, football and basketball with both the boys and girls teams. He coached Little League Baseball in the Midway Community, Elloree, SC, for many, many years. He had a special relationship and special place in his heart for all the players. He was a former member of the Elloree Lions Club, Elloree, SC. He is listed in the History of S.C. Football as the smallest quarterback in the state of South Carolina. He played American Legion Post 4, Orangeburg, SC, football from 1964 to 1966. Curtis had a special and close relationship with all his former teammates. He was a friend to all and a spiritual leader.

Survivors include his loving wife, Linda Hay Felkel of Bowman; three sons, Chris Felkel of Harleyville, Stephen and Joyce Antley of Orangeburg, and Mickey and Lacey Antley of Denver, North Carolina; two daughters, Kristie Garrick of Bowman and Kim and Jonathan Noe’ of Inman; two sisters, Tweedie and Benjy Smith of Bowman and Debbie and Bruce Anderson of Elloree; 12 grandchildren, Chase Felkel, Kenan Felkel, Caelin Felkel, Brandon Antley, Hailey Antley, Tyler Ayers, Tommy Garrick, Nick Garrick, Jameson Antley, Michael Antley, Benjamin Noe’, and Brook Noe’; sister-in-law Ann and William Fiddie of Orangeburg; and brothers-in-law Gene Hay of Orangeburg and Michael Hay of Cope. He was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Tom W. Garrick Jr., and a very special granddaughter, Allyson Ayers.

CALVIN BURDELL WASHINGTON
August 10, 1967 – April 22, 2015

Reverend Calvin Burdell Washington was born on August 10, 1967, in Kingstree, SC, the fourth child and only son, to the late Calvin Washington and Verline Cooper Washington.

He received his formal education in the schools of Williamsburg County and was a 1985 graduate of Kingstree Senior High School, where he served as drum major of the Marching Gold Brigade, 1983-1985. Calvin went on to further his education having graduated from Benedict College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and a Master of Divinity Degree from Erskine Theological Seminary.

At an early age, he joined Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, where he sang on the Youth Choir and served on the Usher Board. In 1997 Reverend Washington answered the call to ministry and entered the candidacy for ministry in the United Methodist Church. Calvin served
faithfully as a Pastor in the SC Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church for 17 years. Through his ministerial career he served as Minister of Visitation at Francis Burns United Methodist Church (1998-2000); Campus Minister Associate, The University of South Carolina (Wesley Foundation) (1998-2000); and shepherded, New Harmony United Methodist Church, Seneca, SC (2000-2002); Salem United Methodist Church, Florence, SC (2002-2003); Fisher Chapel/St. Stephen United Methodist Churches, Hardeeville, SC (2003-2009), and Spring Hill/New Haven United Methodist Churches, Bishopville Charge (2009-2014).

Calvin loved people and had a hunger and zest for life. These were embodied in his purpose and passion in Ministry to preach as well as teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, with the hope of inspiring others, as they were invited to becoming ‘disciples’ of Christ, through their individual gifts from God, as they were able to share in taking part in ministries offered in local church settings, partnered in ministry with all humanity. Calvin’s greatest joy in serving was to focus on the needs and ministering to Youth and the senior members of his congregations and Church communities.

In addition to being a servant leader Calvin, fulfilled other leadership roles and responsibilities in the SC Annual Conference and the local communities in which he ministered. He served as a District Convener for Outreach, Chair of the Conference Board of Global Ministries, and oversaw the Belin Trust Conference funds distribution, Chairman of Trustees, Hartsville District, Tri-County Technical College Advisory Board, Anderson County Minority Health Coalition, Hardeeville Ministerial Alliance, Jasper County First Steps Board, Jasper County Hunger Free Zone Initiative, NAACP President (Ridgeland Branch) and participated in Domestic Violence Advocacy events in Lee County. Calvin was a proud and honored member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., becoming a member of Omicron Phi Chapter on June 15, 1996. He was a beloved pastor who served in ten Churches in South Carolina with great devotion. These included the Dalzell-Rembert Charge UMC, Trenholm Road UMC (Columbia) where he was the first full-time minister, St. Matthew UMC (Greenville), Bethlehem UMC (Bishopville), College Place UMC (Columbia), St. Andrews UMC (Orangeburg), Grace UMC (Union), St. Paul UMC (Spartanburg), and Mauldin UMC. Rev. Clary formerly served on the Board of Trustees of Columbia College and was a US Air Force Reserve Chaplain for many years.

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**RETIRE MINISTERS**

**CARL DOUGLAS CLARY**

April 11, 1929 – February 14, 2015

Carl Douglas Clary, 85, United Methodist Church Minister for 40 years passed away on February 14, 2015 in Chapin, SC. His Memorial Service was held on February 16, 2015 at Salem United Methodist Church in Ballentine, SC with the Rev. Mitch Houston and Rev. Larry Salters officiating. Rev. Clary was born on April 11, 1929 to Barney C. Clary and Mabel K. Clary in Gaffney, SC where he was educated in the public schools. He earned a Bachelor of Arts from Wofford College in 1950 and a Master of Divinity from Duke University in 1953.

He was a beloved pastor who served in ten Churches in South Carolina with great devotion. These included the Dalzell-Rembert Charge UMC, Trenholm Road UMC (Columbia) where he was the first full-time minister, St. Matthew UMC (Greenville), Bethlehem UMC (Bishopville), College Place UMC (Columbia), St. Andrews UMC (Orangeburg), Grace UMC (Union), St. Paul UMC (Spartanburg), and Mauldin UMC. Rev. Clary formerly served on the Board of Trustees of Columbia College and was a US Air Force Reserve Chaplain for many years.

Rev. Clary was a hard working minister, and he taught his sons a strong work ethic. Many a night, they would remember, he’d get a call from some struggling members and have to
leave and go comfort them. Or some desperate person down on their luck would show up at the
door of the parsonage and they would all go to the Church to help them with something
from the supply cupboard kept for just such uses. Rev. Clary was a strong believer in the Gospel
and enjoyed sharing God’s love through his own actions and words. He greatly admired John
Wesley and Charles Wesley and often cited their ministries in his own sermons. He was an
ardent supporter of the 1968 formation of the United Methodist Church, and he was known
across South Carolina as a pioneer in race relations. He is sadly missed but his legacy lives on.
Rev. Clary is survived by his wife Anne Owens Clary of the home; his son C. Douglas
Clary, Jr. and wife Susan of Chapin, SC; his son Robert S. Clary and wife Suzy of Mauldin,
SC; brothers R. Wayne Clary, William S. Clary, and Stanford L. Clary; and grandchildren R.
Spencer Clary, Jr., William D. Clary, Cameron E. Clary, Hampton S. Clary, and S. Caroline
Clary; and several nieces and nephews.

EDWARD LANEY DAVIDSON
September 9, 1924 – February 26, 2015

Edward Laney Davidson was born September 9, 1924 in
Cheraw, SC to J.E. and Aline Davidson. He passed away February
26, 2015.

Ed was ordained in 1948 and served the South Carolina
conference for over 50 years. He originally retired in 1990 but was
called out of retirement, or “recycled” as he put it, on several
occasions as needs arose in local churches. He continued to preach
in churches as invited throughout the state through 2014 until his
health would no longer allow.

Ed was the epitome of the devoted pastor. Wherever he was
needed in the life of the church, there he would be. If the church
needed a Little League baseball coach, Ed could do that. As a
counselor, he was patient and wise. He spent untold hours in
hospital rooms, comforting the sick and dying. His family learned to
accept the fact that their vacations might be interrupted by a phone
call telling them of a death in the church. A woman in Ed’s last charge
described him this way: “He’s like your favorite grandfather and Jesus all rolled up into one.”

Ed married Ruth Watkins on February 12, 1953. They had four children, Ed Jr., Tom,
Susan and Marie. He is also survived by seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was an avid sportsman and outdoorsman who enjoyed baseball and football in his
younger years as a player and continued to enjoy them as a spectator throughout his life. He
proudly played football and baseball for the Cheraw Braves and the Wofford Terriers. He was
a lifelong hunter and fisherman, hunting the deer season of 2014 and catching “a nice bass”
three weeks before his death.

As a young man, he was known for his prowess as a quail hunter. His marksmanship
allowed for little waste of shotgun shells. He has three sets of antlers listed in the SC state
record books for whitetail deer. He mentored his children, grandchildren, nephews and great-
grandson in the art of the proper cast and retrieval of a fishing line.

Ed was also a conservationist. He enjoyed teaching younger generations to responsibly
hunt and fish and encouraged their enjoyment and care of the outdoors. From planting apple
trees, blueberry bushes and Muscadine vines on his property for the deer, to “relocating”
 pesky squirrels from his yard in town to a release point “by a nice oak tree” on his property in
the country, he cared for God’s creation and the least of the creatures upon it.

Ed’s mission in life was to spread the good news - “For God so loved the world that he
sent his only Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but shall have eternal life.”
He lived the good news, and in his gentle poetic nature God spoke through him.

CHARLIE GLENN DUDLEY
September 2, 1934 – September 21, 2014

The Reverend Charlie Glenn Dudley died peacefully at his home in Chesterfield, South
Carolina, on September 21, 2014. The memorial service to celebrate his life was held on

Charlie was the only son of Thomas Wilson Dudley and Theo Lafferty Dudley. He began his formal education at Erskine College on a baseball scholarship and was a graduate of Coker College. He also graduated from Emory University in June, 1974, with a Master's of Divinity, Magna Cum Laude. Charlie served the South Carolina United Methodist Conference faithfully in both the upper and lower areas of the state.

Charlie had a passion for working with young people and also with Crisis Ministries. He was a humble, joyful Servant of the Lord. He was also a veteran of the United States Army, serving his country in the Korean War.

Charlie was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret Ann Dudley. He is survived by his second wife, Glenda Sellers Lisenby, and four sons, Chuck, Art, Jamie, and Chris. He had four grandchildren, Houston, McKenzie, Taylor, and J.J. Dudley. He also had three sisters, Terry Watford (Jake) of Oates, Gloria White (Hank) of Florence, and Lynda Field of Rifle, Colorado. He also had a number of nieces and nephews.

DIXIE LAMAR GAMBLE

July 1, 1922 –December 22, 2014

Reverend Dixie Lamar Gamble, age 92, passed away on Monday, Dec. 22, 2014, at Heartland of Columbia, SC. Born in Live Oak, FL, on July 1, 1922, he was the son of the late Dixie and Clara Gamble. He was a graduate of Suwanee High School, Live Oak, FL., Furman University, New Orleans Theological Seminary, and Emory University, SC United Methodist Conference Course of Study.

Reverend Gamble was a pastor of several churches in South Carolina. He was a member and very active in Trinity United Methodist Church of Anderson after retirement and was a teacher of the Wesley Sunday School Class. He was chaplain of the Anderson County A.A.R.P. and Anderson County Genealogy Society as well as spending 10-12 years researching genealogy on his own family. He was a volunteer at AnMed Health Medical Outpatient Lab with over 3,500 volunteer hours. Rev. Gamble also enjoyed amateur photography.

He is survived by his son, Mark Gamble, his wife Stephanie, and their daughter Laurel. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Gamble; brothers, Cecil Gamble and Ray Gamble; and a sister, Hazel Gamble.

The funeral service was held in the Chapel of The McDougald Funeral Home, Anderson, SC, on Wednesday, December 24 with Vicar Jon Richter officiating. Interment followed at Rosemont Cemetery in Newberry, SC.

ADLAI CORNWELL “A.C.” HOLLER, JR.

March 21, 1925 – March 10, 2015

Adlai Cornwell “A.C.” Holler, Jr., D. Min., Chaplain, Colonel, USAF (Retired), passed away on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at the age of 89, surrounded by family, friends, and strangers who had come to love him. Born in Orangeburg, S.C., to the Reverend Adlai Cornwell Holler and Miriam Fair Holler, he faithfully answered the call to ministry, a vocation which spanned military and civilian professions. As a graduate of Wofford College, Duke University Divinity School, and Columbia Theological Seminary, he served as a Commissioned Army Air Corps pilot during World War II and as a USAF Chaplain, 1952-1982, during which time he was awarded the Legion of Merit. When he was not building Pinewood
Derby cars, chaperoning Boy Scout campouts, driving his family to square-dancing events, or taking them to science fairs and picnics, he had numerous stateside assignments, including four years as a member of the faculty of the USAF Chaplain School, and had overseas assignments in Alaska, Italy, Spain, and Vietnam, where he was Senior AF Staff Chaplain under General Westmoreland. After military retirement, he served as Associate Pastor and Minister of Counseling for Bethany UMC/Summerville, 1982-1992, Director of Charleston District Pastoral Counseling Center, and President of Pyramid Counseling Services of Summerville until his retirement in 2013.

Dr. Holler is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Beth; daughter, Suzanne (James Styerwalt); son, Adlai Stephen (Lynn “Sissy”); daughter, Stephanie; and granddaughter, Carolyn Elizabeth.

RALPH STUART KANEY
March 26, 1922 – October 19, 2014

The Reverend Ralph Stuart Kaney of Florence passed away October 19, 2014. Reverend Kaney was born in Scott, Georgia, March 26, 1922, a son of Henry Stuart and Ada C. Carey Kaney. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, the late Edna Marie McKee Kaney. He is survived by his four daughters, Edna Beth Kaney Taylor (Henry), Belinda Ann Kaney Duncan (William), Jan McKee Kaney Willis (Dan), and Mary Susan Kaney-Baburek (Jerry); eleven grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Before entering the ministry he was offered a recording contract by a large, well-known music company. He turned down sharing his beautiful tenor professionally saying God had a different call for his life. He was educated at Young Harris Jr. College; Furman University, B.A.; Emory University, Conference Course of Study. In August 1942, Reverend Kaney was licensed to preach and was ordained a deacon October 23, 1954. He was received into full connection in 1954 and retired in 1984. His appointments included: McBee-Salem 1946; Slater-Renfrew 1946; Glendale-Beaumont 1952; Cowpens-Cannons 1954; Carteret Street (Beaufort) 1958; Woodland (Rock Hill) 1963; First (Marion) 1965; Retired supply, Jordan Charge 1981; St. Paul Coward (Florence) 1984; New Good Hope (Hemingway) 1985; and Dawsey (Florence) 1988.

Reverend Kaney also served as City Editor of the Florence Morning News for eight years and was the Sunday and Business Editor for three years. He was a member of the Board of Ministerial Training; Conference Board of Trustees; and Trustee of Spartanburg Methodist College.

HARRY VAN NESMITH, SR.
July 2, 1933 – September 16, 2014

The Reverend Harry Van Nesmith, Sr. was born in Nesmith, South Carolina, the son of the late Victor and Roseana Presley Nesmith, July 2, 1933, the youngest of twelve siblings, all who predeceased him. He entered into eternal rest Tuesday, September 16, 2014.
After serving meritoriously in the Korean War, he received Bachelor and Master of Sciences degrees from Claflin University and South Carolina State University, respectively. Trained as an educator, he spent 36 years in the school systems in Orangeburg County as principal of G.W. Carver Elementary, Edisto-Carver Middle, Edisto High and Whittaker Elementary Schools. Recognizing the importance of professional affiliations, he served as an officer or on the boards of several professional and community organizations including South Carolina Education Association, South Carolina Association of School Administrators and Orangeburg County Health Services.

Reverend Nesmith always said he was led into the ministry. His mother who died when he was fourteen years old appeared to him in a vision during a severe illness and he promised her that he would “carry God’s word.” Seeking to fulfill that promise to his mother, he was first ordained as a Baptist minister. Being a life-long member of the United Methodist Church, he chose not to practice as a Baptist. He attended Duke University School of Divinity during the summers and received his licensure as a United Methodist Minister and was appointed to the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church as a part-time local pastor.

In 1971, he was appointed to St. Matthews United Methodist Church in Camden, South Carolina. In 1977, he was appointed to Springfield and Franklin United Methodist Churches in Denmark, South Carolina. While serving there Reverend Nesmith combined the two churches and supervised the construction of a new edifice. He remained there until his retirement in 2003. He always said he was a retired pastor but not a retired “preacher”. He enjoyed spending Sunday mornings in the pulpit as often as his health and opportunity allowed.

Reverend Nesmith was multi-talented. Although he worked his way through college as a licensed barber, he utilized these skills in later years only to supervise the trimming of his own hair. He took great joy in sharing “Williamsburg style” barbecue cooked on his backyard grill. He was a licensed contractor, pesticide operator and operated a print shop. He utilized his many skills to further his ministry in the church and community. He continued to mentor, counsel and enjoy the visits of his, friends, former students and church members. He was revered for his wry sense of humor and generosity of time, talents and resources.

At the time of his demise Reverend Nesmith was enjoying serving on the boards of the Orangeburg Wesley Foundation and the Orangeburg County Development Commission.

Survivors include his wife, Dr. Barbara Gass Bowman; two children, Dr. Harry (Gloria) Nesmith, Jr. of Sumter and Ansonia Nesmith of Orangeburg; one grandson, William Nesmith of Sumter, SC; two special nephews, Bonniwell (Brenda) Graham of Plainsboro, New Jersey and James (Leigh) Nesmith of Deland, Florida; a goddaughter, Kathleen C. Faust of Columbia; a godson, Torez Moody of Orangeburg; and a great-grand-goddaughter, Serenity Pye of Orangeburg.

JOSEPH WEBSTER PRIDGEN
January 6, 1923 - August 13, 2014

“Just call me ‘Joe’.” Joseph W. Pridgen could appropriately be addressed as “Reverend,” “Chaplain,” “Colonel,” or “Doctor” but he preferred to be known simply as “Joe.”

A man of God, Joe believed each of us was “put here to help our fellow man.” He lived this philosophy, serving Christ as an Air Force chaplain and as a minister in the SC Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Joe supported the Red Cross blood donation program as a volunteer and also by giving blood. The Anderson Blood Donation Center awarded him a plaque for giving 65 gallons of blood during his life. They semi-annually present a “Humanitarian Award” in his name.

Singing was one of Joe’s favorite pastimes. During his college/seminary days at Asbury in Wilmore, Kentucky, he was part
of a quartet known as the “Missionaries.” He sang in the choir of every congregation he served and was an auditioned member of the GAMAC Chorus.

Joe was known for his intelligence, voice, sense of humor and ability to fix anything. However, his greatest legacy was his love and respect for all people. He loved his wife, Roselyn, respecting her voice and appreciating her role in their partnership. He treated everyone with whom he came in contact with great respect and Christian love.

This humble man would tell you that his greatest pride was in his children: Joe, Martie, Charlie, Lynne and Mary; twelve grandchildren; and (at last count) 31 great grandchildren. We call him by different names: Dad, Daddy, Pop, Papa-san, Papaw, Papaw Joe…but we could have just called him “Joe.”

~ Lynne Chandler
Daughter

LINDSEY EUGENE RIVERS SR.
November 28, 1932 – December 26, 2014

Lindsey Eugene Rivers Sr. was born in Chesterfield South Carolina on November 28, 1932. He was the fourth of five children born to John Weldon and Mattie Lua Gardner Rivers. He was a graduate of Chesterfield High School. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1954. He served two years on active duty and then seven years in the South Carolina National Guard.

On August 11, 1956 he was blessed to marry Joan Eudy Rivers, who was his devoted wife of nearly fifty-four years. They were blessed with six children, and eventually 13 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. In 1956 he began a career as a truck driver with the Griggs’ Trucking Company in Ruby, South Carolina. After several mergers and more than twenty-five years, he retired in 1981 from Spector Redball Trucking Company with an award for 25 years of safe driving.

In late 1978 or 1979 he answered God’s calling to ministry. After a worship service at Shiloh UMC in Chesterfield, he found his mother and told her that God had called him to preach. She then revealed a secret to him that she had not previously told him or anyone else. She told him that when he was a baby she would lay him in his crib at night, when no one else was around, and call him preacher.

He began his career in ministry in Darlington South Carolina in 1979, where he served at Wesley Chapel and Bethel as a part-time local pastor initially. After his retirement from the trucking company he became a full-time local pastor and graduated from Duke University’s School of Divinity. Over the next 17 years he served at three other appointments including; Friendship and Rock Springs in Seneca, West Bethel, East Bethel, Mt. Zion, and Andrew Chapel in St. Matthews, and Hebron and Pergamus in Cades. He retired in 1996 and eventually returned to Chesterfield where he was a faithful member of Friendship UMC.

Lindsey Rivers enjoyed time with his family, good food, and time with his friends. He was an avid gardener, he also enjoyed fishing and hunting. Over the course of his eighty-two years on this earth, he earned many other names. He was called Son, Husband, Daddy, Pa Pa, Big Pa Pa, Reverend, Pastor, and Preacher. Most importantly, he was a man of faith in Jesus Christ and a child of God. On December 26, 2014, he received a new name and his ultimate reward. He drew his final labored breath on this earth, passed through death’s door into eternal life, and he heard the voice of his Master, Jesus Christ say, well done good and faithful servant.

ROBERT WRIGHT SPEARS
October 20, 1912 – February 10, 2015

At the beginning of our father’s last week of his 102-plus years, he said with joy, “What a life to live!” He died gently in the peace of Christ in the early hours of February 10, 2015.

When asked as a boy what he wanted to be, he always answered, “A minister.” His first high school declamation speech was entitled “Forge Ahead.” As a teenager, Dad accompanied his pastor to hear evangelist Gypsy Smith and was inspired by the gospel hymn, “Let the
Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me." To Dad everyone was a child of God, someone to be respected and loved. As an adult, he wished to be remembered as “God’s man with the brakes off!”

Dad was from Clio, SC (b. October 20, 1912). His B.A. degree was from Wofford College (1933) which also elected him to Phi Beta Kappa in 1983. His B.D. was from Duke Divinity School (1936) where he was selected as Distinguished Alumnus in 1996. He received honorary doctorates from Wofford College, Columbia College, and Baker University. Dad was licensed to preach in 1930; admitted to the South Carolina Conference on trial in 1935; to full connection and ordained deacon, 1937; ordained elder, 1939; retired 1977. He married Mary Blue Smith of Clio (December 24, 1935) and we are their daughters Mary Ann Brockwell and Nancy Lynn Rowden. Our mother died on January 31, 1993.

Always a pastor Dad served Ruby Charge; Conference Director of Youth Ministry; Trinity, Bamberg; Manning; Trinity, Charleston, Central, Florence, and Columbia College. Twice called from his retirement at Lake Junaluska, NC he was interim pastor for our Washington Street Church, Columbia and interim president of Baker University, Baldwin City, KS. He was a liberal person, working for racial reconciliation and speaking openly in the 1940s against the Ku Klux Klan. He represented what some historians have called “the other south.” He was a delegate to five General Conferences and six Southeastern Jurisdictional Conferences.

When appointed President of Columbia College, Dad approached it as a four year commitment though it turned out to be 26 years. Racially inclusive admission to the college began in 1966. The first international student graduated in 1966. "Keep Smiling" was a motto Dad learned from his father, Pappy the first, and it marked his approach to life and people. Dad’s light has not gone out in this world; it shines brightly in all who respected and loved him. What a life he lived!

Written by Wright Spears’ daughters Mary Ann Brockwell, Nancy Lynn Rowden, and the one he called, “my son”, Charles Brockwell.

**WENDELL WILKIE SUMTER**

**July 24, 1940 – April 25, 2015**

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Hencefore there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His Appearing. II Timothy 4: 7- 8

Wendell Wilkie Sumter was born July 24, 1940 in Dillon, SC. He was the seventh child of the late Reverend Alfred Pelzer Sumter and Emily McLemore Sumter.

He began his education in Cheraw, South Carolina at Robert Smalls and Coulter Memorial Academy, Grover Street Middle School and Graduated from Sterling High School in Greenville, SC. He furthered his Higher Education at Florida A&M University where he received a Bachelor’s degree, Southeastern Business College and Candler School of Theology Emory University in Atlanta Georgia.
He spent two years in the United States Army and was honorably discharged. He was the owner of Sumter’s Men’s wear in Summerville, SC.

He has pastored the Ruffin Parish that consists of Buckhead and Hickory Hill United Methodist Churches from 1982-1994 and the Cross Charge, which consisted of Jerusalem and Zion United Methodist churches from 1994-2011. He retired from the SC Annual Conference in 2011.

Wendell and Victoria Middleton were married on July 27, 1968. Their union was blessed with two beautiful daughters, Mary Ruth and Angelia. He was a member of Canaan United Methodist Church. His hobbies included entertaining and gardening.

He departed this life April 25, 2015 at his home in Summerville, SC. Left to cherish his memory are his devoted wife Victoria Sumter, his two loving daughters Mary Ruth Sumter and Angelia (AJ) Glover, dear grandson Alex Glover, grand pup Maxx Sumter, sister Martha Howard, brothers Samuel Sumter (Mary Alice) and Phillip Sumter, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and parishioners. His sisters Mary Ruth Sumter, Deloris McInnis and brother Wilbur Sumter preceded him in death.

Oh, my record will be there,
Be its pages dark or fair,
When I stand before the judgment bar.
When the books shall open wide,
In that morning by and by,
Oh, my record, oh my record will be there.

SPOUSES

JAMES WYLIE ALFORD
October 29, 1925 – March 22, 2015

James Alford, spouse of retired Reverend Judith A. Alford, was born in New Castle, PA. He grew up on a dairy farm with three younger sisters (Mary Ruth Shaddock, Jean Meade and Elizabeth “Bets” Hackett). He married Arlene Conway who predeceased him and with her they were blessed with a daughter, Cheryl Alford Ohl, four grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Jim had two step sons Peter Mathieu and Ross Mathieu from his second marriage. Jim was employed by the Laurel School District in New Castle, PA, the Anderson Bus Company in Greenville, PA and then retired from the National Cash Register Corporation in Youngstown, Ohio. He came out of retirement when he became a pastor’s spouse!

During Jim’s sixteen year marriage to Judy they served together in six churches (Gillette, Swallow Savannah, Fort Lawn, Camp Creek, Port Royal, and Mountain View United Methodist Churches) in the South Carolina Conference. He was deeply loved because he was a gentleman, soft spoken, wise, and very kind. Jim loved the Lord and was very supportive as a pastor’s spouse and to the members of their congregations. He sang in many of the church choirs, and for fourteen years he took Disciple I, II, III, and/or IV Classes that Judy taught. In Judy’s mind, this fact alone has qualified Jim to earned true saint-hood!

~ Rev. Judith Alford

MARTHA ANNE BURKE BIGELOW
January 1, 1934 – February 16, 2015

Martha was born in Chester, South Carolina to the Reverend George William and Sarah Mary Alexander Burke. She graduated from Spartanburg High School.

She was married to her precious husband, the Reverend Archie Rufus Bigelow, Jr. for sixty-two (62) years.

Martha is survived by her husband, and three children: Diane Bigelow Sigmon (Dean) of Darlington, Claudia Lynn Bigelow Watson of Waynesboro, VA and Archie Rufus “Chip”
Bigelow III of Irmo; six grandchildren David Tillman Tillotson, III of Columbia, Jordan Ross Tillotson (Courtney) of Savannah, GA, Sarah Burke Sigmon White (Will) of Spartanburg, and triplets Marcus Dean Sigmon, Mary Deane Sigmon, Michael Dean Sigmon, Jr. of Darlington. Her parents and sister, Marian Sylvia Burke Hatchette, predeceased her.

In her early years, she was a keypunch operator for Pacific Mills, Drayton Corporation, and Milliken Corporation. She also was a secretary for Jordan Chevrolet, Bigelow-Sanford Carpet, and Washington Street United Methodist Church (Columbia).

As the wife of a Methodist minister, her greatest joy was sharing her gift of music in every community they served whether as a choir member, organist or choir director. Particularly fond memories include productions of *The Centurion* at Fair Lawn (Columbia), St. Paul (St. Matthews) and St. George United Methodist Churches. During the Calhoun County Player’s production of *The Sound of Music* in the early 1980s, Martha played Mother Superior. Archie describes her rendition of “Climb Every Mountain” as absolutely beautiful – even better than Julie Andrews. From this production sprang a community choir, Southern Sounds, which resulted in many special friendships that remained until her death.

**JULE KELLY CANADAY**  
**October 1, 2014**

Jule Kelly Canaday, resident at Wesley Commons in Greenwood, SC and wife of the Reverend Dearmond E. Canaday died on October 1, 2014 at Self Regional Medical Center.

Born in Holly Hill, SC., she was a daughter of the late John G. and Cherry Harvey Kelly. She was a graduate of Winthrop College and was a founding member of the greater Columbia Literacy Council.

She supported her husband during his many years of ministry as a pastor in the SC Annual Conference. She was member of the Main Street United Methodist Church in Greenwood. Surviving are her husband and their two children, William Wesley (“Bill”) Canaday of Columbia, SC, and Cherry Laura Canaday of Charlotte, NC.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Cherry Lee and Elizabeth Gray and her brother, John G. Kelly, Jr. A memorial service was held in Asbury Hall at Wesley Commons officiated by the Rev. Carol Peppers Wray assisted by Pastor Phil Thrailkill.

**Marilyn Bishop Fisher**  
**August 21, 1933 – October 13, 2014**

Marilyn Bishop Fisher, 81, of 320 Taylor Road in Greer died October 13, ending fourteen years of coping with multiply health issues. She was born August 21, 1933 in Startex, SC, the first child of Charlton B. and Alma Foster Bishop.

Educated in the public schools of Spartanburg County, she finished Startex Elementary School and was a member of the last class to attend WLT High School prior to its closing and later graduated with the first class of the new James F. Byrnes High School. Prior to her marriage to the Rev. A Mickey Fisher, she earned a certificate in Secretarial Science from Cecil’s Business College in Spartanburg and worked as a billing clerk at Springs Mill in Lyman, SC.

She was married on her twenty-third birthday and moved to Durham, NC where her husband enrolled in Duke Divinity School. There she served as the administrative assistant to the Director of
Admissions for Trinity College and earned a PHT degree (Putting Husband Through) awarded by the Duke Divinity Dames.

She firmly resisted being labeled a housewife or the preacher’s wife while happily embracing the title of homemaker and joyfully devoting herself to the role of mother and grandmother. She was the heart and soul of the family she cherished.

Daughter Melinda was born in Durham in 1958 and works as a Psychiatric Social Worker at the Dorn VA Hospital in Columbia. Son Mick was born in Rock Hill in 1961 and is a Vice President with Carolinas Health Care System in Charlotte.

After the children were in school she was employed as an instructor in a special reading program at Monaview Elementary School; work she found especially rewarding. In retirement she was co-owner with her husband of Granjammer’s Blueberry Farm where she was in charge of quality control.

A lifelong Methodist, she was a member Trinity United Methodist Church and the John Nicholson Sunday School Class in Spartanburg. Until her health failed she served as the unofficial greeter in the class.

PATRICIA TYLER LARE
April 20, 1944 – August 31, 2014

Pat was born during World War II to Colonel Catlin E. and Louise Webb Tyler in Miami, Florida. She was raised in Richmond, Virginia.

Born to be a teacher, her impact and influence on the lives of countless young people and adults will be long felt and remembered. She graduated from Queens College in Charlotte, NC, with a bachelor’s degree in English. Initially, she taught middle school but soon moved to a 30 year career in adult education. She completed her Master’s Degree in Adult Education from the University of South Carolina in 1984. Her beloved son, Hoyt Burnett III was born in 1974.

In 1989, Pat married the Reverend Marvin I. Lare. They shared a rich and rewarding life in Columbia, where they attended Shandon United Methodist Church and participated in many community and cultural organizations.

She and Marvin enjoyed traveling abroad and to historic sites in Virginia and New England with her children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Her greatest joy came from spending time with her grandchildren, Lucy Grace, Nathan, Millie, and Hunter.

Pat is survived by her husband, Marvin I. Lare; her son, Hoyt C. Burnett III (Sarah) of Columbia, SC; stepdaughters, Heather Muller (Tim) of Blythewood, SC and Carrie Lare of Asheville, NC; grandchildren, Lucy Grace, Nathan, and Millie Burnett of Columbia and Hunter Muller of Blythewood; her mother, Louise Webb Tyler of Richmond, VA; her brothers Catlin “Kit” Tyler Jr. (Jeane) of Midlothian, VA; and Webb (Donna) Tyler of Richmond, VA; and six nieces and nephews.

RUTH ELIZABETH LOTT MEDLEY
August 19, 1924 – December 11, 2014

Ruth did not marry a preacher on February 20, 1946. It was a veteran fresh from WW II who aspired to do well as an accountant. Ten years and three sons (John, Donald and James H.) into that marriage it all changed. She became the lady to send James to seminary, and she would become a wonderful parsonage queen (not all parsonages were wonderful) and supporter of his prophetic ministry.

A 1945 graduate of Lander College, she taught in South Carolina, Georgia and Kentucky. The role she filled best and seemed to enjoy most was that of grandmother and great-grandmother. The following testimony by her grandchildren and their mates says it best. It was read at her memorial service by our “son in the ministry” Jim Dennis, Jr.

“We remember Grandma for her creativity and her love. When our mother was in the hospital she came to New York to care for us. We felt her presence even when she wasn’t with
us, in the beautiful homemade gifts, dolls, hand sewn clothes and toys. We remember all the
delicious food and her 'Grandma Bread' and cinnamon rolls.
We remember her passion for flowers and landscaping and how she always left parsonage
yards more beautiful than she found them. We remember how strong and capable she was.
We remember and celebrate our Grandmother - even though we could never get her any
gifts as nice as she gave us.” (Tom and “Midge”, Sarah and Ted, and Amelia and Dustin.
Yankees, all. One year old Emmeline will read this later.)

God gave us sixty-eight plus lives of adventure and joy in trying to do His will on earth as
it done in Heaven.

Gratefully in His name and to His glory,
~ “Jim” Medley

DAVID QUINTON STAFFORD
March 24, 1959 – November 3, 2014

David Quinton Stafford was born March 24, 1959 in Huger,
South Carolina, the son of Eliza Stafford and the late Luther
Stafford. He died on November 3, 2014 at Roper Hospital in Mt.
Pleasant, S.C. He was a kind, compassionate and loving husband
to the Rev. Geneva Stafford for thirty-one years. He was a devoted
son and father. Together we were blessed with five children:
Crystal Stafford, Katara Stafford, David A. Stafford, Antonio Smalls,
and Shaunton Smalls. He had two grandchildren: Antonio Smalls,
Jr. and Jada Smalls, five brothers, three sisters, seven sister-in-
laws, and seven brother-in-laws.

David was a 1977 graduate of Cainhoy High School. He was a
licensed contractor. He was the owner and operator of David
Stafford Drywall. David accepted the Lord at an early age and was
a faithful child of the King. He was a lifetime member of the New
Hope United Methodist Church. David was a worshipper,
encourager, and singer for the Lord. He served faithfully at New
Hope in the following positions: Certified Lay Servant, Chairman of the Board, Lay Leader,
SPPRC Chairperson, President of the United Methodist Men, and a member of the Male Choir,
a Trustee, and manager of the Singing Voices of Joy. He was also the Coach of the Huger
Tigers Baseball Team. David was a gifted singer and spent countless week days and Sunday
afternoons traveling all over the state praising God through songs.

PAULA JEANNE EVERETT TANNER
November 13, 1932 - December 17, 2014

Born in Hedley, Texas, Paula was the daughter of Joe and
Johnnie Everett. She had one brother, Ronald Everett. Paula
graduated from High Point College with a degree in elementary
education. She was a member of Delta Alpha Phi. She taught
grades 2-6 in public school in North Carolina and South Carolina
for 18 years. Her favorite grade to teach was third grade.

She was a member of the South Carolina Education
Association.

In 1957 on August third, Paula married Robert Tanner, a
minister in the United Methodist Church. They have three children,
two grand-children, and one great-granddaughter.

After their retirement, Bob and Paula lived in Moncks Corner.
When Paula was diagnosed with cancer, they moved to the
Methodist Oaks in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Paula enjoyed collecting Precious Moments, and Beanie
Babies. She loved watching I Love Lucy and classic movies. She
enjoyed traveling, shopping, and completing puzzles. Her favorite place to vacation was the
North Carolina and Tennessee Mountains.
Paula’s favorite Bible verses are from Psalms 121 verses 1-2. “I lift my eyes to the hills. From whence does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.”

Paula is survived by her husband, Reverend Robert Tanner; children, James Tanner, Karen Tanner Bowling, and Thomas Bowling; son-in-law, Reverend Ralph T. Bowling, III; grand-children, Lauren Bowling Hutto, and Jared Bowling; great granddaughter, Alexa Hutto.

~ James and Thomas Tanner, Karen Bowling

SURVIVING SPOUSES

MARIAN BRALLEY COOKE
August 17, 1924 – May 15, 2015

Marian Bralley Cooke, 90, of Simpsonville, widow of Rev. Dr. William Thomas Cooke, Jr. went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, May 15, 2015 while at home surrounded by her family. Born in Pulaski, Virginia, she attended Holmes Bible College in Greenville, SC, and retired from Shealy Electrical Wholesalers. She married Bill Cooke in 1950 and became his lifelong partner in ministry.

Mrs. Cooke was a devoted and well-loved pastor’s wife who opened her heart and home to many people throughout her life. Her life was a reflection of one of her favorite passages, Hebrews 13: 1-2, 5, “Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares… Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”

Mrs. Cooke is survived by her children, Bill Cooke (Lori) of Greer; Rev. Cynthia Taylor (Rev. Stephen) of Easley; Anne Holbrook (Jim), of Anderson; and Celeste Keely (Rev. Bob) of Gray Court; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandson; one brother, Dr. Ralph Bralley (Jean) of Virginia; a sister, Fran Aker of Maryland, and a sister-in-law, Cynthia Atkins of Simpsonville. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Cooke was preceded in death by a grandson, Kenny Standridge, and one brother, Steven Bralley.

A celebration of Marian’s life was held at Trinity United Methodist Church in Fountain Inn on Sunday, June 17, 2015.

ERMA MAE GEISSINGER
December 1, 1921 – June 7, 2014

Erma Mae Geissinger, age 92, went on to glory on June 7, 2014. She was born December 1, 1921 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Charles and Catherine Green. She married Rev. Frank O. Geissinger on August 2, 1944 and he went home to be with the Lord on June 15, 2001.

Erma Mae is survived by two children, Rev. Wayne (Connie) Geissinger of Kenton, Ohio and Rev. Audrey (Rev. Carl) Ritter of South Carolina. She is also survived by four grandchildren, Russell (Shauna) Geissinger, Lincoln (Dawn) Geissinger, Jeremy (Wendy) Geissinger, and Dale (Sara) Geissinger and ten great grandchildren, along with one great, great grandchild.

After serving the Western Pennsylvania Conference for 10 years she moved with her soul mate to the Chesnee United Methodist Charge of the South Carolina Conference in 1984. Here she lovingly supported her husband for two years until he fully retired to Florida.

Erma Mae was a homemaker and gave private piano and organ lessons in her home for over 23 years. For hobbies, Erma Mae enjoyed baking, sewing, crocheting, square dancing with her husband, and traveling throughout the United States.
The text is too long to display here. It contains obituaries for three individuals, detailing their lives, achievements, and contributions to their communities. The text is a tribute to their legacy and acknowledges the role they played in various aspects of their lives, from their professional contributions to their roles as wife, mother, and community members.

In 2002 she moved to Upper Sandusky, Ohio. She volunteered with Wyandot County Council on Aging in the delivery of meals throughout the county. She was a member of John Stewart United Methodist Church in Upper Sandusky, where she was a member of the Susaima Hope Circle of the United Methodist Women.

She was a loving wife and mother, who gladly gave of herself for God, family, friends, and community. We praise God for the blessing she was to us and so many others whose lives she touched. Her faith in God and Jesus was exemplary and allows us to know that she is now at rest in the special place that has been prepared for her.

SARAH NALLEY HARTLEY
November 5, 1916 – August 9, 2014

Sarah Hartley, 97, widow of Rev. Louie Fay Hartley, died August 9, 2014 in Okatie, SC.

She was born in Baxley, GA and was preceded in death by her husband and two sons, Kenneth and Reynolds Hartley. She was the daughter and granddaughter of Wesleyan Methodist Preachers.

Being a graduate of Central Wesleyan College, where she received her degree in education she continued to study as she taught school for over 50 years in SC. in many different places following her Methodist preacher husband from the mountains to the sea.

Upon retirement she became an active member of Meldrim United Methodist Church in Georgia, being a Sunday school teacher for 25 years. Moving to Okatie, SC in 2010, she remained active at Church of the Palms with her daughter and son-in-law.

Sarah was named a “Teacher of the Year” in the SC school system. She was a wonderful seamstress, quilter and at age 57 began painting.

Her life was a picture of the 23rd Psalm, 61 verse, “surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.”

She is survived by her daughter, Faye Fetzer (Wendell) of Okatie, daughter-in-law Mary Sanders Hartley, Bogart, GA, grandsons Clay Hartley (Renee) of Bogart, GA, Randy Fetzer (Elizabeth) of Decatur, GA, granddaughters Gaye Herndon (Richard) of Tallahassee, FL, and Paulette Brown (Ronald) of Colbert, GA, four great-grandsons, one great-granddaughter and two great, great-grandchildren.

Celebration of Life was held near Savannah, GA, with family and friends coming from the mountains and the sea, and her body was laid to rest in Athens, GA.

ELVA MORRIS HUGGINS
June 19, 1923 – December 22, 2014

Mrs. Elva M. Huggins 91 our loving mother, went to be with her Lord on Monday, December 22, 2014 at her home.

She was the daughter of the late Dallie Elmore and Lizzie Ruth Williams Morris. She was born on June 19, 1923 at Nichols SC. She was a graduate of Floyds High School. She worked at Milliken, Barnwell Plant and Shuron Optical Plant where she retired. She also sold Avon for a number of years. She was a Sunday school teacher and member of the Women’s Missionary Society at Salem United Methodist Church for many years. She was a devoted Methodist Minister’s wife for 14 years. She and her husband Buster delivered The State Newspaper for a number of years in their retirement years. She was very independent, always thinking of others first and was filled with love for her family and everyone she knew. She was affectionately known to her family and friends as “Nanny”.

Funeral services were held December 26, 2014 at Salem united Methodist Church with Rev. John Huck, Dr. Andy Sandifer, Rev. Ashley Howell and Rev. Wayne Mobley officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.
Mrs. Elva is survived by her daughters, Peggy (David) Gunnells of Blackville, SC, Bonnie (O.W.) Whetstone of Norway, SC, and LaWanda (George Allen) Delk of Denmark, SC; sister, Margie Clary of Cowpens, SC; brother, William Tunie (Doris) Morris of Camden, SC. She was also survived by her sister-in-law Joan (Carl) Elliott of Nichols, SC and brothers-in-law Stoney Huggins of Simpsonville, SC, Larry “Ted” Huggins of Marietta, GA, and J.E. (Carol) Huggins of Pensacola, FL. She leaves to cherish her memory and love ten grandchildren: Timothy “Cat” Hartzog (who lived with his grandparents most of his youth), Belinda Hartzog Hutchens, Angel Gunnells Thompson, Bryan (Allyson) Delk, Stacy (Amanda) Delk, Craig (Christi) Whetstone, Caryn (Jason) Bair, Dean (Ruth) Gunnells, Perry (Bridgette) Gunnells, Gweth Gunnells, and Blanca Gunnells; 25 great-grandchildren and ten great-great-grandchildren. She also leaves her precious Chihuahua “Boo”, who was her loyal companion and best friend these last months. She also leaves to cherish her love and memories her two very special caregivers Sammye Schmidt and Amber Brown.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years Rev. Buster Thornwell Huggins, two grandsons Scotty Hartzog and Brian Gunnells, two great-granddaughters, Grace Delk and Olivia Whetstone, a sister, Frances Morris, and a brother-in-law, Damon (Margie) Clary.

FANNIE MAE DEASE JOHNSON
March 10, 1930 - October 29, 2014

Fannie, affectionately known as the “Flower Lady”, was born in Marlboro County to the late Drayton Sr. and Easter Ellerbe Dease. She precedes four sisters and five brothers in death. She was married to the late Rev. Harold R. Johnson, from this union they adopted a son, now the Rev. Harold (Dendy) Johnson (Dawn) of Belton SC.

Fannie was a graduate of South Carolina State College, in Orangeburg, where she received her Bachelors and Master’s Degree in Education.

She taught in the South Carolina school system passionately for 36 years, teaching Science, Health, Math, English, Remedial Reading and Algebra.

Just as teaching was her passion, she worked tirelessly for 27 years by her husband’s side in the United Methodist Church to maintain not just his ministry but their ministry throughout South Carolina. The beauty of this lady is that every parsonage was made a loving home because she made sure that flowers adorned not just inside but all over the yard, even into the neighbor’s yard. The church had plants popping up out of nowhere and she would not say a word. Every chance she had, somebody would have a cutting of her plants or she would get a cutting just to cultivate it and give it away.

Fond memories will live on in her grandchildren, Devanté, Angel, Taylar and a special God-Daughter, Wakendra.

“We Love and Miss You Dearly.”

ELIZABETH JORDAN MILLER
March 21, 1921 - April 15, 2015

Elizabeth Jordan Miller (94), widow of Rev. Irving R Miller, was born and grew up in St. George, SC where she was valedictorian of her St. George High School class.

Known as “Lib” at Winthrop College, Elizabeth graduated with a B.S degree, magna cum laude, in Commerce. She married Irving Miller in 1944 while he was serving the Methodist Church in Ansonville, NC.

Following a move to the SC Conference, together they served Springfield, Estill-Dials, Gray Court, Travelers Rest and Zorar in Greer before Rev. Miller retired due to health. In addition to partnering with Irving in the ministry, Elizabeth also taught business classes at St. George High School, Greer High School, and Greer Adult School, retiring in 1981 after teaching 21 years at Greer High.

She was an active member of Grace United Methodist Church for 53 years, where she
served as treasurer 8 years, and was a member of the Fellowship Class, the United Methodist Women and the Happy Hearts Club.

She is survived by her children - three sons and one daughter: Marion Miller (Beth) of Moore, SC; Francis Miller of Blue Ridge, SC; Don Miller (Betty) of Greenwood, SC; and Janice Broden (Joe) of Holly Springs, NC; 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Elizabeth’s life was held at Grace United Methodist Church in Greer on Sunday, April 19, 2015, officiated by Rev. Robert Cox and assisted by Rev Dr. James D Jordan and Rev Chuck Miller (grandson).

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CATHARINE JEANETTE PIERCE MORRISON
August 21, 1939 – August 26, 2014

Catherine Jeanette Morrison, widow of Rev Daniel A. Morrison, Jr. was born August 21, 1939. She was a daughter, a sister and a devoted wife for over 50 years. She was a Sunday school teacher, a registered nurse, and most importantly a Christian. She accepted Christ at a very early age and her close relationship with him was evident throughout her time here.

Catherine had a very humble beginning in the rural county of Chesterfield, SC. She was the fifth child of what would eventually be a total of 9 children. At the very tender age of 16, she married Daniel Angus Morrison.

She initially worked as an LPN but later completed her nursing degree at Greenville Technical College. Over the years she was employed by various hospitals in SC including Conway Hospital, Easley Baptist Hospital, St Francis Hospital and Spartanburg Regional Medical Center.

Catherine was ironically very influential in her husband’s Christian life. When they met, he did not attend church regularly and she invited him to Sunday school. This would eventually lead him to have a profound interest in the church and subsequently his own personal relationship with Christ. Several years into the marriage he announced to her he was being called to preach God’s word.

Although a minister’s wife, she clearly had a ministry of her own. She was a nurse for over 35 years. She worked in emergency departments, nurseries, medical-surgical floors and telemetry units. She was dedicated to her profession and felt that nurses should not only be proficient with skills but also good listeners, advisors, and confidants.

In her last years, she was faced with her own personal battle, pancreatic cancer. At the time of her diagnosis she was living alone and was the epitome of independent. She tried to hide her mental and physical pain and focus on the positive days, not the negative ones. She was truly a fighter.

Catherine was called to be with the Lord on August 26, 2014. She is survived by her children, Daniel Richard Morrison of Piedmont, SC, Martin Dale Morrison of Liberty, SC, Cindy Marie Johnson of Inman, SC, and Dana Catherine Morrison of Campobello, SC; five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at Bethel United Methodist Church in Spartanburg, SC, on August 29, 2014.

She is truly missed.
IDA SPANN NELSON
January 5, 1914 – December 15, 2014

Mo ther Ida Spann Nelson was born January 5, 1914 on
Smithill in Cross, South Carolina to Julius and Rebecca Spann. She is the
sixth child of 9 children. God saw an aching frame and a
tired soul, so He dispatched his loving angels on Monday, December
15, 2014, where she peacefully ended her earthly journey.

Mother Ida was joined in holy matrimony to the Late Reverend William Jack Nelson. To this marriage one child was
born Samuel Nelson. She and her husband reared five other
children: Clarence (Muck) Nelson, Joe (Lennis) Richardson, Clara
Yeadon, the late Horace Jefferson and the late Bertha Bruce.

Mother Ida loved and believed in family.

Mother Ida was employed at Central High School for 22 years
as a cafeteria worker. She and her late husband served many
churches for 25 years. They served Silas United Methodist Church
for 14 years. She was a woman with a wealth of knowledge of
family history, not only hers, but the community.

Mother Ida loved farming and gardening. She also loved to sew and crochet. She made
beautiful quilts from patterns, pillows, and stuffed animals. When it came down to sewing, she
did it all. She had her own senior citizen boutique. She enjoyed playing her piano daily and
singing her favorite song, “Yes, God Is Real.”

Mother Ida was a member of Jehovah Chapter #203 OES for 64 years and Home charity
Lodge #21.

Mother Ida at an early age accepted Christ, joining Jehovah African Methodist Church in
Cross, SC. There she served on the choir and other organizations. Many years later, she
joined Jerusalem U.M. Church after serving in the ministry with her husband. She possessed a
“unique” work ethic, to which she passed on to her children, grandchildren, and all she came in
contact with. She would often say in her comical way ... “If you don’t work - You don’t eat”.

She was known for her many clichés. She loved to make people laugh with her funny
antidotes. Mother Ida will always be remembered as a very direct and outspoken woman. To
whom we will all TRULY miss.....

Those who will cherish her memories: her son Samuel Nelson of home, Clarence (Lucile)
Nelson and Clara Yeadon both of Cross, SC, Joe Lennis ( Lula) Richardson of Ridgeville, SC,
one sister Lessie Williamson of Cross, SC, 9 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, three
great-great grandchildren. Her caretakers Mary Dingle, Barbara West, Michele Gaillard, Mary
Ferguson, Carolyn (Dixie) Crocker, Catherine Gourdine, Mae Roberts and Jestine Yeadon and
a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

SYBIL GLENNNA MOORE RAY
July 2, 1928 – February 20, 2015

Mrs. Sybil Glennna Moore Ray, age 86, of Starr, SC, widow of Rev. Jack Ewell Ray,
passed away Friday, February 20, 2015 at the home of her daughter.

Mrs. Ray was born in Starr, July 2, 1928, a daughter of the late Louie James Moore,
Sr. and Rosa Eloise Whitten Moore. She was a graduate of the University of South
Carolina and was a retired school teacher having taught at Calhoun Falls Elementary and
Jonesville Elementary.

Mrs. Ray was a member of Starr United Methodist Church. Surviving are a daughter,
Rosa R. Ford and husband Chad of Jonesville; a sister, Foy M. Griffin of Indian Land, SC;
and three grandchildren, Charlie Waddell, Jack Waddell and McClain Ford. Mrs. Ray was
predeceased by a sister, Reba Glenn and a brother, Louie Moore, Jr.

Graveside services were held Monday, February 23, 2015 at Southlawn Memorial
Gardens in Anderson.
THOMASINE “TOMMIE” GATLIN SHULER
June 14, 1935 – August 15, 2014

Thomasine “Tommie” Gatlin Shuler, 79, died on August 15, 2014. A resident of West Columbia, Tommie was born on June 14, 1935, in Bonneau, SC. She graduated from Macedonia High School and the Medical University of South Carolina. Her distinguished career of over 40 years included employment with DHEC and the Dept. of Mental Health. She retired as a nursing supervisor.

Tommie was married to the late Reverend Dr. Claude M. Shuler. They met while Tommie was in nursing school and moved so Claude could pursue his doctorate. Initially they served two rural congregations in Colorado. Together they returned to South Carolina with a son, serving a church in Laurens. Next they served two churches in West Columbia, where a daughter joined them. Tommie and her family eventually served churches in Beaufort, Hartsville, Spartanburg, Columbia, Greer, and Pacolet.

Tommie was an active member of each congregation; she especially excelled in nursery, preschool, and children’s ministries, including Vacation Bible Schools, and often assumed leadership positions. She taught CPR and First Aid classes for the Boy Scouts. At her last church home, Tommie taught adult and children’s Sunday school classes, was active in her circle, and was named United Methodist Woman of the Year.

A lifelong gardener, Tommie was known for her colorful flowers and lush plants. She was often found in the yard, wearing a large brimmed straw hat, pulling weeds, planting, watering, and trimming. She said she always felt closer to God and at her best when she was outside.

Tommie was a compassionate, loving, kind woman. She was the neighbor who had the knack of knocking on your door just at the right time, laden with baked goodies to share. She was the mother who cherished her two children, always sacrificing for them, and always encouraging them to do their very best.

During the last five years of her life, Tommie lived with Alzheimer’s disease. She bore her illness with courage and with dignity. She taught her family the importance of living each day well. She will be deeply missed.

Tommie was predeceased by her husband, Rev. Dr. Claude Shuler; parents, Greely and Mabel Gatlin; two sisters, Ida Mae Edens and Virginia Patz; three brothers, Robert Gatlin, Russell Gatlin, and Clinton Gatlin.

Tommie is survived by her two children and their families and a sibling: son, Dr. C. Mark Shuler (Allynnore Jen) of Parkton, MD; daughter, Kay Ornelas (Dr. Robert Ornelas) of Lexington, SC; grandchildren, Michael Ornelas of West Columbia, SC; Zachary Shuler and Kyle Shuler of Parkton, MD; sister, Thelma Shurlknight of Bonneau, SC. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

OTHERS

JOHN CLEVELAND BARR
August 26, 1930 – March 22, 2015

A Life in Retrospect

The future is not ours to know, and it may never be; let us live and give our best, never anticipating or doubting the power of our Savior; asking nothing of tomorrow except “Thy Will Be Done”.

In the stillness of the afternoon on March 22, 2015, John Cleveland “JC” Barr departed this life to join his Heavenly Father and loved ones who had gone before him.

He was born in Williamsburg County, South Carolina on August 26, 1930, the eldest son of Nancy and Rev. C.C. Barr. An Army Veteran, who served as Chaplain in Norfolk, Virginia, Heilbronn, Germany and Ft. Benning, Georgia;retires with the rank of Colonel.

He was united in Holy Matrimony to Nora Owens in August 1955. To this union two children were born.
Rev. Barr received his BS degree from Claflin University and Master of Divinity from Drew Theological Seminary in Madison, New Jersey. He also received additional advanced studies in Science from Iowa State University, clinical training from Virginia Commonwealth/Medical College of Virginia, Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia and Lutheran Seminary in Columbia, South Carolina.

He was a chaplain at McGuire Medical Center in Richmond, VA and later served as Chief of Chaplain Services. Upon retirement from the VA Hospital he served as pastor of Woodlawn United Methodist Church in Alexandria, VA and several churches in Timmonsville, Lynchburg, South Carolina.

Rev. Barr returned to his childhood home in June of 1997 so he could “farm”. Cherishing fond and lasting memories today include his wife Nora O. Barr; one son, Cleveland “Jerry” Barr; one daughter Myrna Barr-Cook; three grandchildren, Aaron, Amaron, and Mya; one sister, Bertha (Fred) Session; five nieces, two nephews and a host of other relatives and friends, especially those who assisted in his care for the last five years and McNair Nursing Facility, Laurel Gardens, and Kingstree Nursing Facility.

KEITH ALLEN HIOTT SR.
April 16, 1952 – February 25, 2015

Mr. Keith Allen Hiott Sr., 62, of Denmark, departed his earthly life to be with his Creator in his heavenly home Wednesday, February 25, 2015.

Mr. Hiott was the husband of Rachel Stanley Hiott for 37 years; father of Chasity Hiott, Marlena Hiott, Keith A. (Jennifer) Hiott Jr. and Angela McCall, Lisa McCall and Connie Harms; grandchildren Todd Folk, Anna Peeples, Cameron Peeples, Daniel Gunnells, Allye Ray and Keith Harms; great-grandson Tony Ray Harms; brothers John Hiott, and Roy “Bear” Kesson; sister Cherry McCall; and mother-in-law Elizabeth F. Spell.

Mr. Hiott was the son of the late Floyd and Allie Proveaux Hiott. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Kathy Crosby.

Mr. Hiott was the Spiritual Leader of Rocky Swamp American Indian Ministries. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and was an HVAC Technician with Savannah River Site for 30 years.

A memorial service was held March 1, 2015, at Rocky Swamp American Indian Ministries, Springfield, SC.

~ Christopher Huff

NICHOLLE RATLIFF RIVERS
October 2, 1975 – March 11, 2015

Nicholle R. Rivers (Nikki) was born in Sumter South Carolina on October 2, 1975. She was the youngest of three children born to Judy C. and the late Roscoe O. Ratliff. She was a graduate of Hillcrest High School in Dalzell, South Carolina. Nikki worked for more than fifteen years in Emergency Services in Richland, Calhoun and Sumter Counties. On July 24, 2004 she was married to her husband of nearly eleven years, Reverend Anthony Rivers. She was blessed with 4 beautiful children, Kayla, Kelsie, Kaitlyn, and Connor. She was a beloved daughter, and a loving devoted wife and mother.

Nikki was a devoted member of Dalzell United Methodist Church. She served in many different capacities as a member of the congregation including a time as president of the Women’s Club. She was also an active participant of the Dalzell Dazzlers, which is the church’s Relay for Life Team. Nikki also attended Emmaus of the Midlands Women’s Walk number 38 and she was active in the Emmaus community.
Nikki was blessed with many gifts and talents which she was always willing to share with other people. She was an avid conversationalist who never met a stranger. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, and she had many hobbies including arts, crafts, and singing.

As previously stated, Nikki never met a stranger but one relationship that she had stands out far beyond the rest. She had a close personal relationship with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On March 11, 2015 her earthly tent was taken down and she passed through death’s door into her home not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Then she heard the familiar voice of Jesus Christ say, well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your master.

PAULETTE MARI ELIZABETH STEVENS
October 10, 1953 – March 1, 2015

The Reverend Paulette Mari Elizabeth Stevens, an Elder in Full Connection in the Baltimore Washington Annual Conference died March 1, 2015. She was on family leave and living in Beaufort, SC. Rev. Stevens had been caring for her mother who is a resident at Bay View Manor in Beaufort, SC. In February, Rev. Thomas J. Pearson, Jr. (Walterboro District Superintendent) invited Rev. Stevens to provide pastoral care and leadership to one of the congregations in the Walterboro District.

At the conclusion of a worship service on March 1, 2015, Rev. Stevens collapsed. It is believed that Rev. Stevens suffered from an acute brain aneurism. A funeral service was held on March 9 at Ebenezer Baptist Church located on St. Helena Island, SC.
ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF DECEASED
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