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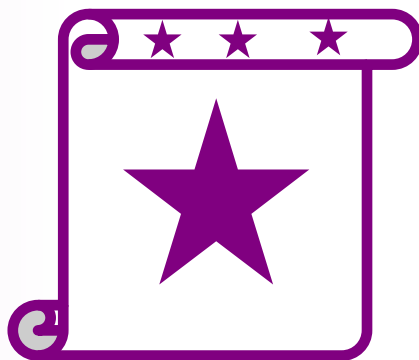
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Ironclad Link Between Red Meat and Cancer Identified

The 'how' behind the link between red meat consumption and cancer has been identified

Researchers have discovered the mechanism linking the overconsumption of red meat with colorectal cancer, as well as identifying a means of interfering with the mechanism as a new treatment strategy for this kind of cancer.

Meat is a significant source of protein and fat, as well as essential vitamins and minerals like iron, zinc, and vitamins A and B. However, as is the case with many things, eating too much of it is bad for you. Despite the [strong evidence](#) associating red meat with some cancers, the underlying mechanism is less clear.

Now, researchers from the National Cancer Center Singapore (NCCS), together with scientists from Singapore's Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR), have identified the mechanism linking the excessive consumption of red meat to [colorectal cancer](#).

Worldwide, colorectal cancer, which affects the large intestine or rectum, is the [third most common](#) cancer, accounting for around 10% of cancer cases. It's also the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths. In addition to age and family history, lifestyle factors such as diet, inactivity, obesity, smoking, and excess alcohol consumption can increase the risk of this type of cancer.

Using fresh colorectal cancer samples, the researchers discovered that the iron in red meat reactivated the enzyme telomerase via an iron-sensing protein called Pirin, which drove the progression of the cancer. Now, this requires stepping back to explain the importance of telomerase and [telomeres](#) and their relation to cancer growth.

Telomeres, the little 'caps' found at the end of chromosomes, are made from DNA sequences and proteins and are required for cell division. With each cell division, the telomeres get shorter and shorter until they're so short that cells can no longer divide. When cells can no longer divide, tissues age. However, the enzyme telomerase can rebuild telomeres to restore cell division.

This might sound good, but if a cell keeps dividing uncontrollably, overcoming the natural limits imposed by telomeres, it can form a cancerous tumor. Because of all the division they do, cancer cells end up with critically short telomeres, which are too short to protect the chromosomes. To avoid inevitable death, the cells make telomerase so they can continue to divide and grow, effectively becoming immortal. So, to reiterate, the researchers found that the iron in red meat reactivated telomerase in colorectal cancer cells, thus driving the progression of the cancer. "We show how iron-(Fe³⁺) in collusion with genetic factors reactivates telomerase, providing a molecular mechanism for the association between iron overload and increased incidence of colorectal cancers," the researchers said.

In addition to pinpointing this mechanism, the researchers also identified a promising new treatment approach based on it. A small molecule called SP2509 was found to block telomerase reactivation in cancer cells by targeting Pirin, preventing iron from binding with it. In lab tests on cancer cell lines, SP2509 stopped the reactivation of telomerase and reduced tumor growth; it's a potential new treatment strategy for colorectal cancer.

"Understanding the role of iron in telomerase activation opens up new avenues for addressing colorectal cancer," said Professor Vinay Tergaonkar, from A*STAR's Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology (IMCB) and the study's senior author. "Our future research will focus on refining therapeutic strategies that target this mechanism, with the hope of developing more effective treatments for patients, particularly those with high iron levels. We are excited about the potential of small molecules like SP2509 to revolutionize cancer care and improve outcomes for patients globally."

The study was published in the journal [Cancer Discovery](#).



CLEAC Co-Chairman Receives Prestigious Palmetto Award



John Bonsignor
CLEAC Co-Chair

John Bonsignor, Co-Chair of the popular, and growing, **Community Law Enforcement Appreciation Committee (CLEAC)** is the most recent recipient of the prestigious **"Order of The Palmetto"** Award.

The Order of the Palmetto is considered the highest civilian honor in the State of South Carolina. It was first awarded in 1971 by Governor John C. West. It recognizes a person's lifetime achievements and contributions to the State of South Carolina.

The award comes in the form of a certificate or plaque that, in part, reads: *"In grateful recognition of your contributions and friendship to the State of South Carolina and her people. I do hereby confer upon **John Bonsignor** the Order of the Palmetto with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto."* Signed by S.C. Governor Henry Dargan McMaster.

In the past 40 years, more than 3,500 people have received the Order of the Palmetto. Some of the more well-known people to have received an Order of the Palmetto are **singer James Brown, author Pat Conroy, tap dancer Clayton "Peg Leg" Bates, and Civil Rights activist Septima Clark**. In 1986, Governor Richard Riley awarded one to the "Unknown Confederate Soldier." A host of politicians have also been granted the honor – including several governors.

Bonsignor Co-Chairs CLEAC with Reggie Dyson to highlight and recognize police officers and their families for their contributions and excellence.



John Bonsignor (Seated) proudly displays his prestigious award. He is surrounded by family and friends, including U.S. Congressman Russell Fry representing the 7th Congressional District in South Carolina (Standing 2nd From Left).

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2024 Veteran Appreciation Day

By Brenda Bankhead, Ret. U.S. Army Veteran



The Chesterfield Missionary Baptist Church including veterans, volunteers from the church and community wanted to show their appreciation to US military veterans in and around the Poplar Community. "Freedom is not Free" Our Veterans have fought wars and served during peacekeeping operations around the world.

Our pastor James R. Matthews, US Army Veteran whole heartily supported this event. Over 150 people attended and 80 of them were veterans.

We also presented Certificates of Appreciation to the Veterans spouses for their service to our country for keeping the home fire burning while their spouses were away.

We acknowledged **Mrs Carrie L. Hemingway (93-year-old)** who is the spouse of a WWII Navy Veteran and the mother of four sons who served in the Army during Vietnam and Desert Storm Wars.

Also in attendance was **Deacon Emeritus Elmore Archie Bellamy 101 years old**, WWII Army Air Force Corps Veteran who served in Japan during the Battle of Iwo Jima.

Eight of our veterans were color guards. They carried flags representing the United States, SC State, Army, Coast Guard, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Space Force.



Anthony King, USA Retired



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Mrs. Carrie L. Hemingway



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Chesterfield Missionary Baptist Church Hosts 2024 Veteran Appreciation Day

By Brenda Bankhead, Ret. U.S. Army Veteran

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POW/MIA Hat Table Ceremony - The table displayed to signify those who are missing but are not forgotten. Our veterans performed this ceremony by carrying hats of each branch of service and placing them on the respected place on the POW/MIA table. The narrator explained the purpose of the table and the significance of each item on the table.

Speaker: *A member from each branch of service spoke on the mission of their branch of service and a brief story of their military life. (10 minutes)*

The veterans in this are in the process of starting a veteran's group. Our group will help assist veterans and their families with benefits and building core relationships which will improve their life and the life of our communities. We believe in the motto "No Veteran left behind." and "Once a soldier always a soldier."

Our veteran's group with the surrounding communities is planning to build a Veterans Memorial Wall within the community. Which will include Veterans names from WWI, present and future veterans.

The program was organized by **Brenda Bankhead Retired US Army Veteran**. Special thanks to the many veterans and volunteers from the church and community who participated in making this event a success.



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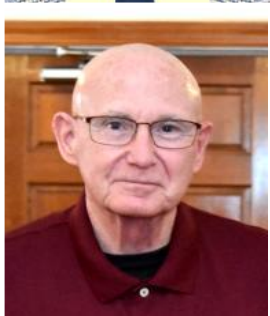
Continues to Make Every Day Veterans Day



True Vine Missionary Baptist Church has been recognizing and honoring local veterans for over 20 years, usually on the Sunday nearest to National Veterans Day. Every year Mr. Clarence Galloway and other members coordinate what they call "Veterans Appreciation Sunday." Each year it has been one of great remembrance and appreciation to the local military members of True Vine MBC with the injection of new ideas and developments for which to honor the veterans. This year True Vine M.B. Church held their annual Veterans Day program on November 10, 2024. Veterans from all branches of the military were honored for their service to our country. The guest speaker for the day was Mr. Ted Bellamy. He spoke on the meaning of Veterans Day and their importance in keeping our country safe and how we should show gratitude towards them.

Kudos to Mr. Clarence Galloway, coordinator, who takes the program to a higher level every year by securing donations and gifts for veterans in the community and church. A memorial moment was shared to remember those military personnel that have passed away. After the

- Opening.....Dea. Ronald Graham
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Welcome.....Sis. Denise Vereen
Selection.....Bro. Lucius Campbell, Jr.
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Promoting a Love for Reading: United Way of Horry County's United to Read Event

By Richard Williams, Jr. – Early Childhood Program Manager, United Way of Horry County



Growing up in Horry County, I learned early on that education is the foundation for opportunity. I am a proud product of Horry County Schools, and today, as a pastor and Early Education Program Manager for United Way of Horry County, I carry those lessons with me in every role I play. One of the most critical challenges we face in our community is ensuring that our children are prepared to succeed when they walk into a kindergarten classroom. Right now, only 30% of students entering Horry County Schools are considered ready for kindergarten.

This reality is why United Way of Horry County has made early education and kindergarten readiness a cornerstone of our work. It's not just about the numbers—it's about the children and their futures. One of the most exciting ways we're making a difference is through **United to Read**, an annual event that puts volunteers in every 1st-grade classroom in the county to share the joy of reading.

On November 19, over 200 volunteers, including community leaders, parents, and educators, stepped into classrooms across Horry County with a mission: to inspire a love for reading. Each volunteer read the book *Not a Box* by Antoinette Portis, a charming story that celebrates imagination and creativity. Together, they read with students, guided them through engaging activities, and planted seeds of curiosity that will grow for years to come.

As I read to a classroom at Waterway Elementary, I saw the spark in the children's eyes as they connected with the story. It reminded me of my own childhood, sitting in classrooms not too different from theirs, dreaming big because someone took the time to invest in me. Events like this are not just about reading; they are about showing children that their community believes in them and their potential. United Way of Horry County is committed to creating opportunities for all children to thrive, but we can't do it alone. The support of volunteers, parents, and organizations is what makes this work possible. By coming together, we're not just addressing the immediate challenges of kindergarten readiness—we're building a foundation for lifelong success. To the parents, educators, and community members reading this: you have a role to play. Read with your children, support local schools, and join initiatives like United to Read. Together, we can turn the tide on kindergarten readiness and ensure that every child in Horry County has the tools they need to succeed. I am deeply grateful to everyone who made United to Read a success this year. To our volunteers, thank you for taking the time to show our children that they matter. To the teachers and principals who welcomed us into their classrooms, thank you for being on the frontlines every day, nurturing our future leaders.

United Way of Horry County will continue to champion early education, but we need your help to keep the momentum going. Let's work together to ensure that every child in our community is ready to learn, grow, and achieve. Because when we invest in our children, we're investing in the future of Horry County.

For more information about United Way of Horry County's work in early education or to get involved, visit www.unitedwayhorry.org or contact me at richard@unitedwayhorry.org. Let's make a difference together.



102-Year-Old Whittemore Graduate Gets Street Named in Her Honor



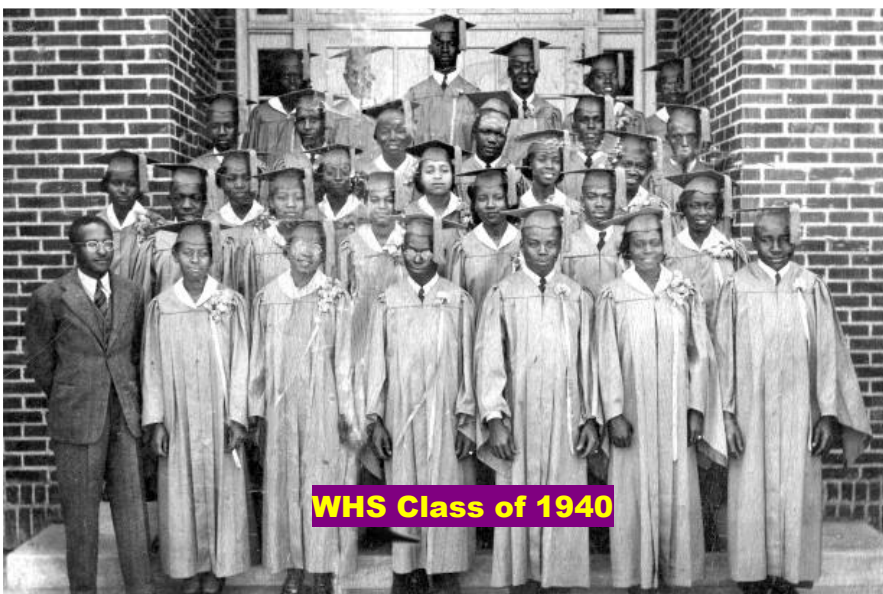
WHS Class of 1940

Mrs. Daisy Rogers McDuffie, 102 years old and is the WHS Class of 1940, was recently recognized with a street named after her by the leading authorities of Rock Hill, SC. She was born in Conway, SC to James and Carrie Rogers. Following graduation from South Carolina State University, she married her husband Dock McDuffie of Marion, SC. He became a School principal in Little Rock, SC and she taught school there for 12 years. In 1954 an equalization School was built and named for Miller F Whittaker, their SC State College President who they both held in high esteem. Daisy and her husband Dock, moved to Rock Hill, SC in 1955 when her husband was offered a Principalship at Sunset Park Elementary School. Daisy taught in the Rock Hill School District for an additional 26 years and retired in 1981. She has continued to be involved in the uplifting and advancement of all people in her retirement. She is a Life Member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., a Member of SC State National Alumni York-Chester Chapter and the Mother of Hermon Presbyterian Church of Rock Hill. She is also a Life Member of The NAACP.

Special thanks to Dr. DOCK C. McDuffie, III (Son) for providing some photos. Kudos to Mrs. Mollye Jones Robinson, WHS '55 and Mrs. Vera Grate Brooks, WHS '57 (Cousin to Mrs. McDuffie) for providing information to the magazine. The World Community Magazine extends maximum congratulations to Mrs. McDuffie.



Mrs. Rogers is surrounded by relative, neighbors and friends as she proudly displays the sign with the street named after her.



WHS Class of 1940



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Holding Their Personalized Poster Left, the late **Mrs. Rhetilla McKever Grate** and Right: **Mrs. Daisy Rogers McDuffie** Being honored by the **World Community Magazine on June 10, 2017.**

CLEAC Celebrates and Congratulates Doctorial Recipient, Rev. Dr. Timothy Carter



Dr. Timothy Dwayne Carter



**Reggie Dyson
Co-Chair**

The World Community Magazine and the Community Law Enforcement Appreciation Committee (CLEAC) extend maximum congratulations to CLEAC member, *Rev. Dr. Timothy Carter*, Pastor and Founder of the *Sonshine Recovery Ministries*. This is an addiction recovery ministry that takes a contemporary view of the disease of addiction, one that is shared by leading medical addiction



**John Bonsignor
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On Saturday, October 26, 2024, **Dr. Carter** was awarded a *Doctor of Christian Counseling* during the 2024 Commencement of the *All Nations Bible College and Seminary*.



L-R: Dr. Wayne Miller welcomed the audience and many participants present; **Dr. Carter** is conferred a Doctor of Christian Counseling by **Dr. Bryan Smith**.

Over 80 individuals were conferred certificates and degrees, namely: Foundation of the Bible Certificate; One year Certificate; Associate of Theology; Bachelor of Christian Counseling; Bachelor of Christian Education; Bachelor of Theology in Ministry; Master of Christian Education; Master of Theology in Ministry; Doctor of Christian Counseling; Doctor of Christian Education; Doctor of Theology in Ministry; and Doctor of Divinity.



Attendees came from near and far to show support to these deserving graduates and participate in the excitement and congratulations. Many members of CLEAC including Co-Chair Jon Bonsignor were part of this capacity audience located at the Robert Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane, Myrtle Beach, SC.

Again, we extend Kudos to our CLEAC colleague, Dr. Timothy Carter for this accomplishment.

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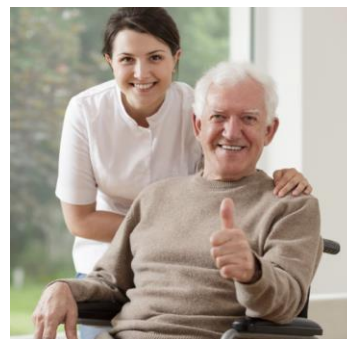
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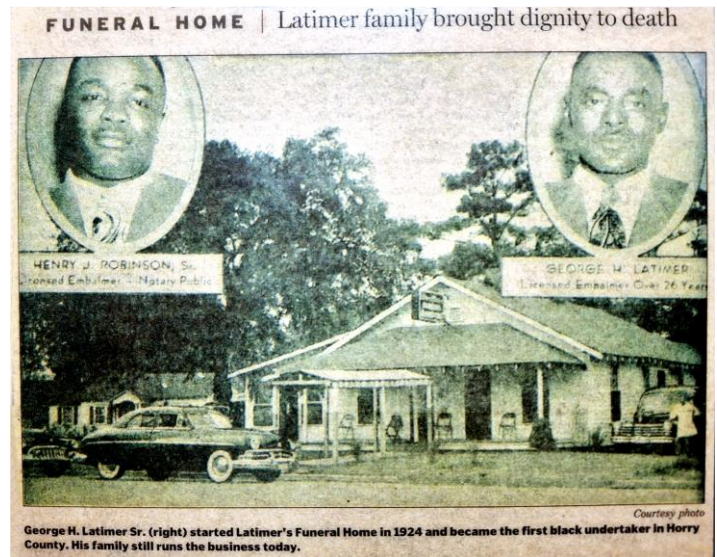


Recently, **Jo Ella McQueen** of *The World Magazine* and I conducted an interview with **George Latimer Jr.**, son of the late **George Latimer Sr.** and co-manager of the **Latimer Funeral Home** in Conway, SC. The funeral home is in the process of celebrating 100 years of providing funeral services to our community. **George Latimer** and his brother **Marvin** are now the managers of the Latimer Funeral Home since the passing of their mother in 2018. **George H. Latimer, Sr. in 1924 established the Latimer Funeral Home.** Shortly after completing an embalming school in Raleigh, North Carolina, Mr. Latimer moved to Conway. Mr. Latimer Jr. did share a newspaper article with us where his father had been interviewed and was published in 1973," Mr. Latimer Sr. indicated in that article that after moving to Conway, he went to work for **Willie Goldfinch** as an apprentice. At the time there was not an establishment to provide funeral services in Conway for Black people. Before the establishment of his funeral home, according to Mr. Latimer, the embalming of Blacks was done by Goldfinch Funeral Home. Mr. Latimer indicated that Mr. Goldfinch in the early years had a Black man work with him named Jeff Hemingway who later moved to Jackson, NC. In 1924, **Mr. Latimer established the original funeral home at 1712 Racepath Street in Conway which later became the family home.**

Mr. Latimer left Conway in 1927 and went to Dillon, South Carolina where he worked for two years at the Mary Reaves Funeral Home. In 1945, Mr. Willie Goldfinch sold Mr. Latimer the land where the funeral home now stands. Mr. Latimer indicated in the article that his first hearse was two horses pulling the hearse. In 1978 the current structure was built and since then some modifications have been completed.

With the death of the father, his wife, **Edna Latimer** took over the operation with the assistance of her two sons and others. Ms Latimer had been a businesswoman in North Carolina and clearly up to the task. After her passing in 2018, the two sons took over the operation. According to George, this was not his first choice of occupation and he initially explored other options but subsequently came back into the business. His brother, Marvin however, went to school and was always interested in running the business.

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Amiyah K. Parker-Armistead is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Amiyah attended Myrtle Beach High School, and is now attending Hampton University, Hampton, VA. She is the daughter of Kyle and Amber Jenkins. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **James E. Small.**

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Harrison M. McNeil is an award recipient of the **Matthew S. and Beatrice G. Rhue Scholarship.** Harrison attended the Academy for Technology and Academics and is now attending Horry-Georgetown Technical College. He is the son of Romulus and Valerie McNeill. His Whittemore Alumni connection is **Andean Booth Campbell, Class of 1965.**

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India A. L. Wilkes is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. India attended Conway High School, and is now attending South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, SC. She is the daughter of Pete and Charmaine Wilkes. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Ola Wilks, Class of 1966.**

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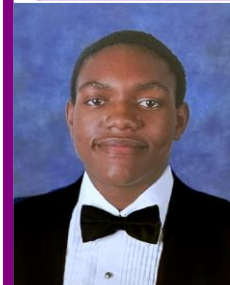
Andrew E. Sands is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Andrew attended Northwestern High School, and is now attending North Greenville University, Tigerville, SC. He is the son of Anthony and Hana Sands. His Whittemore Alumni connection is **Celia Jordan Sands, Class of 1963.**

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Angel J. McKnight is a recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Angel attended Myrtle Beach High School, and is now attending the University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. She is the daughter of Jamie Favorite. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Ludie Chestnut McKnight, Class of 1967.**

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★ Lydia McCray ★



Lydia A. McCray is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Lydia attended Conway High School, and is now attending Francis Marion University, Florence, SC. She is the daughter of Larry and Kim McCray. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Robert Williams, Class of 1953.**

★ Aria N. Caldwell ★



Aria N. Caldwell is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Aria attended Westwood High, Blythewood, SC, and is now attending Winston-Salem State University in NC. She is the daughter of Phillip and Patrice Caldwell. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Rev. Jerry Faulk, Class of 1968, and Mrs. Genar Faulk, Class of 1969.**

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Carmelo C. Robinson is a recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Carmelo attended Myrtle Beach High School, and is now attending Presbyterian College, Clinton, SC. He is the son of CoTisha Pagan. His Whittemore Alumni connection is **Linda Carter Sealy, Class of 1970.**

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Nijeria M. Moore is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Nijeria attended Myrtle Beach High, and is now attending Charleston Southern University, Charleston, SC. She is the daughter of Chavonne Cooley. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Peggy Moore, Class of 1957.**

★ Donna A. Glenn ★



Donna A. Glenn is an award recipient of **The Willie Dean Whaley Memorial Scholarship, WHS Class of 1967.** Donna attended Early College High School, and is now attending North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC. She is the daughter of Craig and Shalena Glenn. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Ronald Phillips, Class of 1969.**

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Harmony N. Keith is a recipient of the **Annis Alston Staley Scholarship.** Harmony attended Conway High School and is now attending the University of South Carolina-Upstate. She is the daughter of Kenya and Nina Keith. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Joe Chadmon, Class of 1969.**

★ Samuel S. Washington ★



Samuel S. Washington is an award recipient of **The Julius J. Holmes Scholarship, WHS Class of 1967.** Samuel attended Hope Academy, Stockbridge, GA, and is now attending Benedict College, Columbia, SC. He is the son of Vincent and Sabrina Washington. His Whittemore Alumni connection is **Lela Geanwood Graham, Class of 1948.**

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Symari Scott is an award recipient of the Whittemore Alumni Scholarship. Symari attended Worthington Kilbourne High School, and is now attending Tiffin University, Tiffin, OH. She is the daughter of Devon Scott. Her Whittemore Alumni connection is **Jacqueline E. Gerald, Class of 1969.**

Chesterfield Missionary Baptist Church Hosts 2024 Veteran Appreciation Day

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Beatrice Davidson Kenner and Mildred Davidson Austin-Smith



Samya A. Muhammad

Today's article is about two black sisters that both enjoyed inventing, *Mary Beatrice Davidson Kenner and Mildred Davidson Austin-Smith*. Mrs. Kenner was born May 17, 1912, and her sister Mrs. Mildred Davidson Austin-Smith was born January 31, 1916, in Monroe, North Carolina. Their grandfather Mr. Robert Phromeberger was an inventor as well. He invented the three-color light signals for trains, and hospital stretchers. Their father, Mr. Sidney Nathaniel Davidson

patented a clothes presser and was also a preacher. The presser could fit into your suitcase.

The sisters were determined to help women everywhere, so their first patented invention was the sanitary napkin belt, which they started working on in the 1920's. Mrs. Kenner invented the moisture-resistant pocket for the belt. Sanitary napkins are what pads today are based off, it was a belt with a cotton pad in it (*See page 26*). At first, they did not have the money for the patent.

In 1931 **Mrs. Kenner** went to Dunbar High School in Washington, DC, and for college, Howard University. However, she dropped out after 18 months because she did not have enough money to complete college. She never received any degrees but was still an inventor. They finally gained a patent for the sanitary napkin in 1957. There was a company that showed interest in licensing their design, however they quickly reversed course after discovering that they were Black. Then once their patent expired, their design became public domain, and they never got paid for it.

Mrs. Kenner and Mrs. Smith also invented a toilet paper holder together, in the 1970's and both shared a patent for it. They received the patent on October 19, 1982. **Mrs. Smith** developed multiple sclerosis but during that time she invented a board game about family. She began working on the game in 1975. You had to place three cards that described the relationship between each family member like, "My cousin is my daughter's second cousin." She named her game "Family Treedition" and trademarked the name of her game in 1980. Her game was sold in multiple languages, even Braille. Mrs. Kenner holds the record for the greatest number of patents awarded a Black woman by the U.S. government. Mrs. Smith died in 1993 at the age of 77. Mrs. Kenner died on January 13, 2006, in Washington D.C. at 93 years of age.

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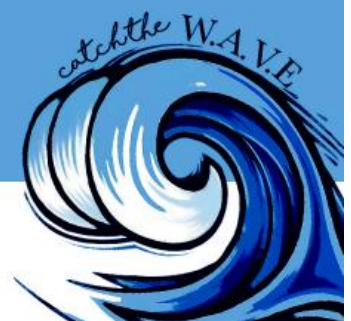
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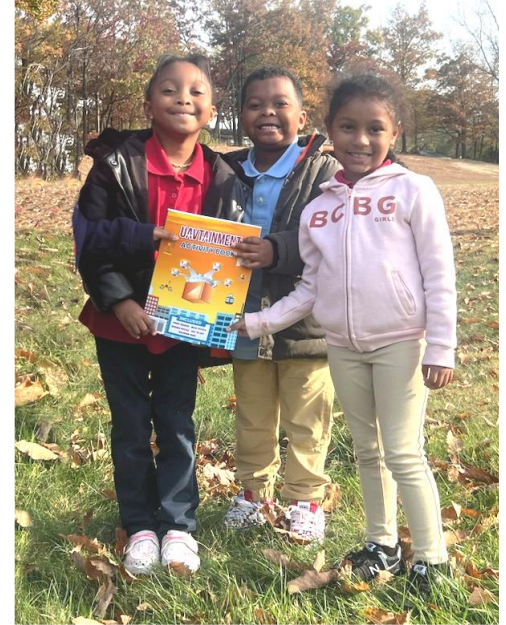
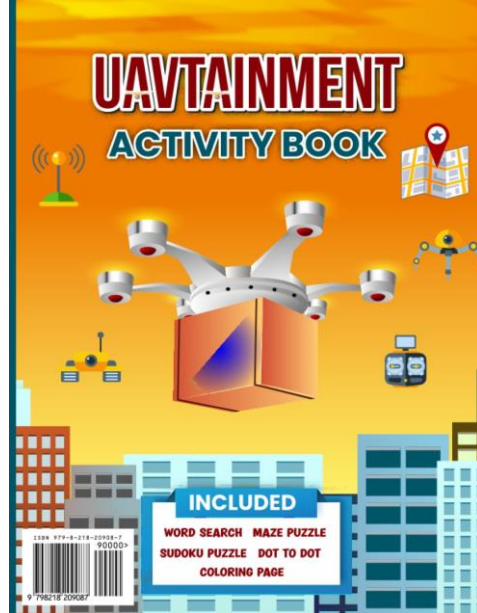
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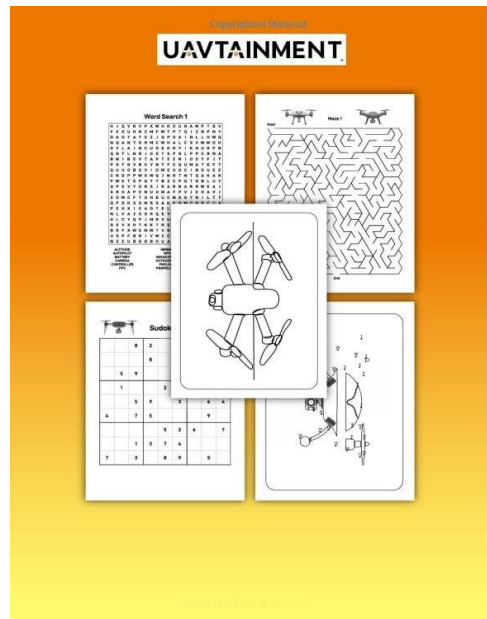
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Mr. Latimer Jr. talked about how hard the covid epidemic was for families and them as Funeral Directors.. Many customary things such as funerals in churches and other events where family gathered were not held. Although he indicated that they were extremely busy during this time conducting services, the numbers were not as numerous as in some of the northern states. When asked about some of the services that stood out, he indicated the Stackhouse funeral was probably one of the most noteworthy. **Mr. Stackhouse** had been an employee at the funeral home. He had always indicated he did not want to be buried lying down but instead sitting up. *When Mr. Stackhouse passed, he was placed in a coffin sitting down shaped like a jukebox.* This created national news, and an article and pictures were placed in Jet Magazine... Although he and his brother were born at that time, people in the community still talk about waiting in long lines to see the coffin.



Andrew William Washington Stackhouse

Mr. Latimer said one major change he has seen in the industry in the past ten years is the amount of cremations among people of color. Ten years ago, this would not have been the case. There to be a change in philosophy about cremations with people of color and a recognition that the cost is less for cremations. He indicated they have performed numerous kinds of service for almost all ethnic groups and religions. They are carried out with dignity and respect for the deceased and their family.

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Gov. Wes Moore called the occasion not just a great day for Tubman's home state but for all of the U.S.

"Today, we celebrate a soldier and a person who earned the title of veteran," Moore said. "Today we celebrate one of the greatest authors of the American story."



Maryland Governor Wes Moore

Tubman escaped slavery herself in 1849 and settled in Philadelphia. Intent on helping others achieve freedom, she established the Underground Railroad network and led other enslaved Black women and men to freedom. She then channeled those experiences as a scout, spy and nurse for the Union Army during the Civil War, helping guide 150 Black soldiers on a gunboat raid in South Carolina.

Nobody would have judged Tubman had she chosen to remain in Philadelphia and coordinate abolitionist efforts from there, Moore said.

"She knew that in order to do the work, that meant that she had to go into the lion's den," Moore said. "She knew that leadership means you have to be willing to do what you are asking others to do."

The reading of the official order was followed by a symbolic pinning ceremony with Tubman's great-great-grandniece, Tina Wyatt.

Wyatt hailed her aunt's legacy of tenacity, generosity and faith and agreed Veterans Day applied to her as much as any other service member.

"Aunt Harriet was one of those veterans informally, she gave up any rights that she had obtained for herself to be able to fight for others," Wyatt said.

"She is a selfless person."

Tubman's status as an icon of history has only been further elevated within the last few years. The city of Philadelphia chose a Black artist to make a 14-foot bronze statue to go on display next year. In 2022, a Chicago elementary school was renamed for Tubman, replacing the previous namesake, who had racist views.

However, plans to put Tubman on the \$20 bill have continued to stall.

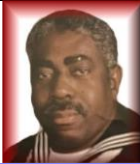


Mrs. Tina Wyatt, Tubman's Great-Great-Great-Grandniece accepts Copy of Official Order.

Above info Courtesy of The Associated Press

Van Skipper

Van Norton Skipper, Jr. was born on **January 10, 1961**, in Conway, South Carolina to Ollie Mae Bessent-Skipper and Reverend Van Norton Skipper. Van attended Whittemore Elementary School and Conway



1961 - 2024

High School both in Conway, South Carolina and graduated in 1980. He departed this life on **November 6, 2024**. Van entered the United States Navy Corp in 1986. While being stationed in Scotland he met and married the late Marie Latham. They are the parents of one son Van Norton Skipper III. Van met and married his wife Brenda Griffin and gained a loving family.

Van leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife Brenda Griffin Skipper; one son, Van N. Skipper III; one stepdaughter, Ebony Chisolm; two stepsons, Anthony Chisolm, and Brandon Latimore; one grandson, Elias Johnson; three granddaughters, Nevaeh Walton, Jeff Oliver Calvin, and Raiyah Chisolm; goddaughter, Chyna Walker; sister-in-law, Rita Ford; one sister, Ballery V. Skipper; one brother Marvin B. Skipper; one aunt, Idella Bessant; one dedicated nephew, Shelton R. Skipper; two nieces, Michelle Skipper, and Tamikia Skipper; five great nieces and nephews, many cousins and friends.



Mary Jones

Mary A. Jones, formerly of Conway, passed away on **Thursday, October 31, 2024**. Ms. Mary Abby Jones was born on **March 7, 1962** in Baltimore Maryland. She held a special place in her heart and was the ultimate



1962- 2024

auntie and maternal figure/caretaker for various family members throughout her life (nieces Monique Jones, Aretha Montgomery, Kizzy Jones, and Latasha Kinlaw; nephews Brandon Anderson and Joseph Jones, etc.) and their children and significant others. Her heart was so available to all she touched, and she was always willing to provide her time. *She is survived by her family, partner, friends, and all those she touched. Mary Abby is reunited in the Kingdom with her First grandson, JET; her mother, Ida father, Walter; brother, Tommy, sister, Yvette, aunts, Ruby, Clara, and Peggy; most of her maternal uncles; cousin Elaine; and mother in law Linda Robinson; among other beloved family members.* Please remember her as a tenacious fighter, a gentle soul, a jazzy yet sophisticated woman who loved to shake a tailfeather and jam to James Brown. Her magnanimously beautiful smile will last an eternity. Mom, we will never forget you. We will sing your praises unto the heavens until we are hoarse. May we meet you again in our dreams, and our stories will keep your memory alive in this world and beyond.



Johnny Lewis

Mr. Johnny R. Lewis was born on **June 21, 1954** in Conway, South Carolina to the late Johnnie Wade Brown and Jobie Mae Lewis (Lloyd Curtis) Bell, Sr. His last sunset was on **Wednesday, November 13, 2024**. Johnny



1954-2024

attended the public schools of Horry County and graduated from Myrtle Beach High School. After graduating, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps where he served for over 20 years receiving honorable commendations, medals, badges, and awards. He was a devoted husband to his wife Dellarie Lewis and to this union, one child was born. Along with his father, Johnnie Wade Brown, four siblings, Daryl W. Brown, Sharon D. Brown, Monica Y. Brown, and Joyce Stokes all preceded him in death. *Johnny leaves to cherish loving memories his wife, Dellarie Lewis of Myrtle Beach, SC; son, Jonathan Lewis of Myrtle Beach, SC; four brothers, Antonio Lewis, Danny C. Brown and Donald Dion Brown of Myrtle Beach, SC, and Lloyd Curtis Bell, Jr. of Capitol Heights, MD; three sisters, Matasha D. Phillips of Myrtle Beach, SC, Marilyn Davis and Phyllis Bell of Capitol Heights, MD along with a host of loving family members and friends.*



Lakiva Bellamy

Lakivia Bellamy of Myrtle Beach passed away on **Friday, November 1, 2024**. Lakivia Rochelle Bellamy was born on **November 24, 1980**, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. She departed this life on Friday, November 1, 2024. She was the



1980 - 2024

youngest daughter of Denise Wright and the late William Nesbit. Lakivia was a graduate of Myrtle Beach High School where she enjoyed playing basketball and was an active member of Shield's Chapel FBH Church singing in the choir. After graduating high school, Lakivia moved to Georgia and studied at Strayer University and the American Intercontinental University of Atlanta, receiving a master's in public administration and earning a degree in Health Care. She put her Master's degree to use by working for Ciba Vision for 13 years. *Lakivia leaves to cherish her memories one daughter, Tiaya Bellamy of Atlanta, Georgia; one grandson, Kaden Peoples of Atlanta, Georgia; her mother, Denise Wright of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; eight siblings, William Nesbit, Jr. of Norfolk, Virginia, Vincent Nesbit of Charlotte, North Carolina, Joseph (Marguita) Bellamy of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Reginald Bellamy of North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Bridget Nesbit of Charlotte, North Carolina, Razzaq Baderinwa of Charlotte, North Carolina, Tiffany Legette of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Derek Bellamy of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.*



James Allen

James Franklin "Romeo" Allen, son of the late Revell and Earleen Allen was born on **January 29, 1954**, in Conway, South Carolina. He departed this earthly life on **Sunday, November 3, 2024**. He attended the public



1954 - 2024

schools of Horry County and worked until he was disabled as a log truck driver. James was joined in holy matrimony to Evelyn G. Allen on July 6, 1981, and this union was blessed with three children. His wife of 42 years, Evelyn "Pat" Allen; brother, Elwood Allen and sister, Kaye Allen, all preceded him in death. *The life and legacy of James will be cherished and remembered by his children, Jamie (Bryan) Winns of Conway, SC, Diamese Allen and fiancé Donnell Davis of Columbia, SC and James (Callie) Allen of Conway, SC; his siblings, Wayne Allen of Waverly, GA, Carol Allen of Conway, SC, Kenneth Allen of Oak Grove, KY, Laverne (Jackie) Allen of Longs, SC, Timmy (Audrey) Allen of Conway, SC, David Allen of Conway, SC, Deloris (Ronald) Johnson of Conway, SC, and Johnny (Stacy) Allen of Tabor City, NC; grandchildren, Ja'Quail Williams, Kamron McCray, Asia Richardson, Bryan Winns, III, Jamion Winns, Semaj Allen, Jazmine Winns, Makenzie Todd, Jai Weaver and Maleah Allen; his brothers-in-law, Donald (Al) Gagum of Palm Bay, FL, Nathaniel (Wilma) Gagum of Bucksport, SC and Bobby (Kathleen) Kinlaw of Baltimore, MD.*



Donald Massey

Donald Massey was born in Rock Hill, South Carolina on **August 03, 1957** to the beloved parents of Maggie Massey and Charlie Conner. He departed this life on **November 1, 2024**. Donald



1957 - 2024

attended Rock Hill High School, after which he enrolled at York Technical College. Donald joined the Army and he served until being honorably discharged. Donald married the love of his life Ellen Massey and together they lived their dream. Donald dedicated his life to the Lord at an early age and was an example of Christ's love. Donald loved his family and friends and brought joy to all who knew him. Donald loved to dance and his smile, jokes, and laugh would light up the room. Donald was preceded in by: His Father Charlie Conner and his Grandparents Dellie Massey and Emma Massey. *Donald leaves to cherish his wife Ellen Massey; a special love Sylvia Massey; Three sisters: Brenda Sims (Henry) of Columbia, S.C., Mary Massey of Rock Hill, S.C., and Patrice Thompson of Rock Hill, S.C.; Four Brothers: Ronald Massey (Twin Brother) of Rock Hill, S.C., Roger Massey (Charlene) of Rock Hill, S.C., Chris Massey (Vickie) of Rock Hill, S.C., and Patrick Massey (Danielle) of Rock Hill, S.C.; Best Friend LeVonne Thompson, Special Phone Friends: Eleanor Page (Aunt) and Ruby English (Cousin); Special Nephews: Devion (Nuke) Hinton, Hosea Garvin, Travis Pettie; and a Host of Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews and friends.*



Debra Mazyck

Debra Maxine Mazyck of Murrells Inlet passed away on Sunday, **November 17, 2024**. Debra Maxine Small Mazyck was born on **March 20, 1957** to the late George L. Small and Mary A. Small. She departed this life on Sunday,



1957 - 2024

November 17, 2024 at Grand Strand Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. One sister-in-law, Dearie Mazyck preceded her in death. *She leaves to cherish her memories a loving and devoted husband, James Lawrence Mazyck; two children, Donyel Parker, and Laquato Mazyck; three grandchildren, Kiara Mazyck, Natassja Mazyck, and Deacota Mazyck; three great-grandchildren, Aiyden Stagggers, Zachariah Koszela, and Kamari Koszela all of Murrells Inlet, South Carolina; two sisters, Janice (Larry) Stallworth and Beverly (Dennis) Palmer; one brother, George Small, Jr, all of South Carolina; Three sisters-in-law, Gloria King of Pawleys Island, South Carolina, Rosemary Mazyck and Sue Mazyck of Murrells Inlet, South Carolina; four aunts, Florence Knox, Mosella Smalls and Martha Green of South Carolina and Elise Evererr of Troy, New York; two uncles, Taze (Maxine) Rutledge and Willie (Annie) Rutledge of South Carolina; along with a host of other relatives and loved ones..*



Jeanette Dix

Jeanette Ostina Dix was born in Brooklyn, NY on **February 3, 1960** to Mae Jeannette Dix and David Dix, Sr. She transitioned peacefully on **October 28, 2024**. As a toddler, she



1960 - 2024

moved to Newark NJ in 1962. Jeanette began her education in the Newark Public Schools. Jeanette was preceded in death by her grandparents Mary Royster, Elmore Royster. Her father David Dix Sr, aunt Marie Jones, uncle Malcolm Royster, and nephew Terance Malcolm Dix. *Jeanette leaves to cherish her memories her mother Mae Jeannette Dix, uncle Jesse Royster, brother David Dix Jr., sister Deneen Dix, sister Tena Rivera, nephews David Dix III, William Glass, Emmanuel Lovelace, niece Nijah Dix, great-niece Heaven Wilson-Dix, great-nephew Tymir Wilson Dix, Jayden Wilson-Dix, Da'Vontae King Shamir Dix cousins Kenesha Nazia Marie Archer and Jhamir D'Aundre Reed and a host of family and friends.*



Chloe Mills

Chole Mills of Myrtle Beach, the loving wife of the late Byron Mills, was born on **September 27, 1957**. She passed away on **October 29, 2024**. She was a loving mother of Chris (Tracey), and Corey (Kendra); sister of Paul, aunt to Leah and Jamie; grandmother to Morgan, Christopher (Tiffany), Caitlin, Taylor (Josh), and Jordan; a great-grandmother to 6 wonderful greats. *She is preceded in death by her late son, Scott, her parents, and furbabv Mickev.*



1957 - 2024



Christina Ford

Christina Ford was born on **July 30, 1975**. She departed this life on **November 27, 2024**.



1975 - 2024



Sadie Caldwell-Crenshaw

Sadie Caldwell-Crenshaw passed away on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024**.



19 - 2024



Mikell Lance

Mikell Demarquez Lance, affectionately known as "Glizz" to many, was born on **January 9, 2003**, to Colette Bellamy and Michael Lance in Loris, South Carolina. He departed this earthly life on **Saturday, October 26, 2024**, at McLeod Seacoast. He attended Horry County Schools and accepted Christ as his Savior at a young age. He was a member of Bristol Creek Missionary Baptist Church in Tabor City, North Carolina. Mikell was preceded in death by one brother, Tyreek Bellamy, and one grandfather, Cleve Crawford. *He leaves to cherish sweet memories his parents, Colette Bellamy and Michael Lance of Longs, South Carolina; his beautiful daughter, Kyomi Lance; his loving grandparents, Katie Crawford of Longwood, North Carolina, Barbara (Delius) Philius of Loris, South Carolina and Jimmie (Cynthia) Bellamy of Bridgeport, Connecticut; his siblings, MicQuell and Montray Woodfolks of Lake Charles, Louisiana; Kierra Bellamy of Charlotte, North Carolina, Malieck Lance of Longwood, North Carolina, and Nakee Lance of Loris, South Carolina; his nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly, Takyra Bessent, James Tucker, Jai'lee Tucker, Pablo Joe, and Callie Lance; a special friend, Yolanda Brown of Tabor City, North Carolina; along with a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.*



2003-2024



Twylla Mae Ford

Twylla Mae Ford, 85, passed away peacefully on **November 2, 2024**, at Brightwater Senior Living, Myrtle Beach, SC. Twylla was born on **September 17, 1939**, in Newman, IL, the daughter of Floyd and Orthalyne Rahn. Twylla



1939 - 2024

Graduated from Tuscola Community High School in 1956 and forever thought of herself as a "Tuscola girl". She married James Ford on February 27, 1960. In 2000, she retired to Southport, NC, where she immersed herself in the community. She greatly enjoyed bringing neighbors together by organizing dinners and outings. She loved a good card game and elaborately decorating for Christmas. She was a devoted and dedicated member of Saint Peter Lutheran Church, serving on various committees and a dependable soul helping whenever asked. Twylla was a strong woman who loved life. She will be remembered by all who knew her as a loyal and generous friend. *She is survived and missed by her daughter: Deborah Weeks and husband, Matthew, of North Myrtle Beach, SC; her grandson: Christopher Weeks of New York City, NY; her brother: Wendell Rahn, and wife, Carole, of Carmel, IN; and nieces Julie Rahn of Evanston, IL and Marilee Rahn of Indianapolis, IN. She was preceded in death by her parents, and two sons, David and Mark Ford.*



Larue Sherman

Larue Sherman was born on **November 29, 1938** to the late Leo Sherman and the late Mary Green Sherman. He departed this earthly life when he took the Master's hand on **Tuesday, November 5, 2024**. He graduated from the Horry County Public Schools.



1938 - 2024

Larue was a member of Atlantic Beach First Missionary Baptist Church. His sister, Berlene Norman, and brother, Jonathan Sherman preceded him in death. *Larue leaves to cherish his loving memories his two children, Juliette "Debbie" (Randy) Escobar of Katy, Texas and Leron Taylor of Cincinnati, Ohio; six grandchildren, Jasmine Gibson of Katy, Texas, Jahaad Fisher of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Josef Campbell of New Jersey, Alexzia Taylor, Khan Taylor, and Charleroi Taylor of Cincinnati, Ohio; seven great-grandchildren, seven brothers, Levern (Lois) Sherman, Larry Sherman of Charlotte, North Carolina, Lefogran (Dorothy) Sherman and Lloyd (Lindell) Sherman of Conway, South Carolina, Lewellyn (Patricia) Sherman of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Jeffery (Evelyn) Sherman of Conway, South Carolina, and step-brother, Warren "Freddy" Johnson of Conway, South Carolina and a special friend, Rosa Stanley.*



Sharon Patrice Williams

Ms. Patrice Williams, daughter of the late JoAnn and Linford Vereen of Longs, South Carolina was born on **November 7, 1970**. She departed this earthly life on **November 23, 2024**. She attended Horry County Public Schools.



1970 - 2024

Patrice received Christ at an early age and joined Freemont Missionary Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her grandparents; a sister, Tonya Williams; a son, Milton Williams; and a brother, Russell Reaves. *Patrice leaves to cherish loving memories to her father, Jimmy (Brenda) Bellamy of Ahsokie, North Carolina; two daughters, Shannon Williams and Tisheila Williams both of Longs, South Carolina; one son, De'Ontray Williams, South Carolina; a host of children she raised as her own, Harold (Vanessa) Williams, David (LaQuita) Capers, Sherida Bellamy, Kheishei (Franklin) Gibson, Alexandria (Craig) Glenn, Ny'Asia Riley, and Danicia Swann; five sisters, Sandra (Lerone) Long of Longs, South Carolina, Betty (Sam) McCoy of Little River, South Carolina, Veronica Bellamy of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Marquira Green of Loris, South Carolina, and Shaneaqua Mack of Manhattan, New York; five brothers, Linwood (Jessica) Vereen of Longs, South Carolina, Harold Williams of Columbia, South Carolina, Joey Davis of Bennington, Vermont, James Hudson of Little River, South Carolina; 24 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren; bonus sisters whom she loved dearly, Sheretta Ford, Cynthia Gore, Aundrea Long and Janet Floyd; two favorite uncles, Marvin Nance of Longs, South Carolina and Earl (Antoinette) McDuffie of Fayetteville, North Carolina; a special friend, Roger Gore; five favorite cousins, Loretta Miller, Alice Isaiah, Cynthia McCray, Patriona Riggins and Regina Gibson; along with a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, and a community that she left an undeniable impression on.*



Pastor Joe Ann McCray

Pastor Joe Ann McCray was born on **February 22, 1946**. She departed this life on **November 28, 2024**.



1946 - 2024



Susie Carr

Susie Corbitt Carr was born on **August 8, 1941**. She departed this life on **November 10, 2024**.



1941 - 2024



McKiever

Elliot Huggins

Minister Elliot Lamont Huggins., passed into eternal rest on **Saturday, November 9, 2024**, unexpectedly, at his home in Bucksport, South Carolina. He has gone to join his beloved father, sister, maternal grandparents, and paternal grandparents.



1987 - 2024

“Ell”, as he was affectionately called, was the son of the late Eric Willis Huggins, Sr. and Patricia Sherman Huggins, was born on **November 5, 1987**, in Conway, South Carolina. At an early age, he joined the Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church Family. As he grew in his love of the Lord, his membership transitioned to The Living Word Bible Fellowship Church where he was ordained as a minister. He was educated in the Horry County Public Schools, graduating with the Conway High School Class of 2006. He leaves to cherish his memories, a loving mother, Patricia Sherman Huggins, two brothers: Erwin Bryant Sherman of the home, and Eric Willis Huggins, Jr. of Socastee, SC, and two loving nieces: Kyriana Days and Elajiah Huggins, and nephews: Daquan Huggins and Taquan Turner. In addition, *he leaves to cherish his memories, his special friend whom he loved and cherished, Ashley Hemingway. He also leaves to cherish his memories: eight aunts, seven uncles, and a host of cousins, other relatives, and friends.*



McKiever

Linda Faye Cogdell Holmes

Linda Faye Cogdell Holmes born on **August 23, 1958**, in Miami, Florida to parents, Isaac and Eva Mae Cogdell. She graduated from Miami Central High School in 1976. She was married to Oscar Holmes, Jr., and they had one son, Nuji Holmes.



1958 - 2024

Linda was employed at Piccadilly Cafeteria for 5 years in Miami, Florida in Dade County Risk Management Department for 5 years. She departed this life on **November 18, 2024**. She moved to Myrtle Beach in 1989 and worked at Kingston Plantation Radisson Hotel for 10 years and worked full-time at Lowes Home Improvement until she retired. Linda joined Mt. Zion AME Church over 30 years ago. She served on several different auxiliary boards. She really loved her church and singing on the choir. *She leaves to cherish her loving son, Nuji Holmes of the home, Oscar Holmes, III, Ida (James) Sadie of Myrtle Beach, SC, Willie (Gwen) and Thurman both of Troy, NY; her sisters: Patricia Bauldrick and Cynthia Johnson both of Florida. Linda cherished her two loving grands: Elijah and Elissa Holmes; three aunts: Joanne Douglas, Kathrine Cogdell, and Thelma Lee Brown; two sisters-in-law: Gladys Holmes and Sarah Heyward; three brothers-in-law: George (Pearl), Kelly and Henry Holmes. A host of nieces, nephews and friends. Special god children: King Jordan and Lina; special friends: Jessi Johnson, Carolyn Johnson, Barbara Davis, and best friend forever, Diane Blackshear.*



McKiever

Nellie Ann Huggins

The angels of silence came into her home on **Thursday, November 14, 2024**, and took our mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend *Ms. Nellie Ann Huggins* into eternal rest. She has gone to join her beloved



1954 - 2024

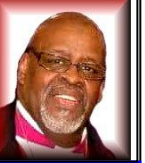
mother, father, and three brothers: John Huggins, Sr., Eric (Doris) Huggins, Sr., and Vincent Huggins. “Nell”, daughter of the late Nelson Huggins, Sr. and Georgia Ann Huggins was born **January 10, 1954**, in the Bucksport section of Horry County, South Carolina. She was educated in the Horry County Public Schools and graduated from Conway High School with the Class of 1974. She leaves to cherish her memories, one son: Marquis Huggins and one granddaughter, Kiana Singleton. In addition to her immediate family, *she leaves to cherish her memories five brothers: James Huggins, Lee Mark (Janice) Huggins, Rodney Huggins, Myles Huggins, and Nelson Huggins, Jr., all of Bucksport, SC; four sisters: Audrey Spain and Mavis (James) Phillips of Conway, SC, Carol Bellamy of Bucksport, SC, and Robin (Juan) Flores of San Antonio, Texas. She, also, leaves to cherish her memories one aunt: Dorothy Doctor of Bucksport, SC, two brothers-in-law, two sisters-in-law, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.*



McKiever

Alfred Eugene Williams

Bishop Alfred E. Williams was born on **June 16, 1951**. He departed this life on **November 3, 2024**. *Those left to cherish his love and to honor his heritage of holiness are his loving and devoted wife Lady Diondra Williams, his*



1951 - 2024

saintly mother, Mother Helen L. Williams, two daughters Bethany Williams (Knoxville, Tenn), Al'Nisha Williams (Charlotte, NC), one granddaughter Zhianne Wilson (Knoxville, Tenn), Two Sisters; Min. Sheila A. Morant (West Orange, NJ), Pastor Sharon L. James (Iselin, NJ), Mother-in-law, Pastor Betty Chandler, Father-in-law, Dec. John Chandler; three brothers-in-law, Michael Chandler, Murrell Chandler, Robert Chandler (Sandra); Two sisters-in-law, Vickie Chandler, The Late Johnnye Chandler, and a host of nieces, nephews, and god-children.



Barbara Ann Shelton

Barbara Ann Shelton was born on **April 6, 1948**. She departed this life on **November 21, 2024**. She was the wife of Mr. Fred Shelton.



1948 - 2024



Ida Pearl Frinks

Ida Pearl Frinks was born **March 8, 1955** to the Late Edward and Maggie White in Conway, SC. She graduated from Loris High School. While in high school she met her late husband, Retired MGST Carrol P. "Bubba/Boot" Frinks. She departed this life on **November 4, 2024**. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, 2 sisters, Virginia Robinson, Jeanette Johnson, 2 brothers/ 1 sister-in-law, James White, Randy (Phylis) White, 1 nephew, Ricky Robinson, 4 brother in laws, Carlton Frinks. *She leaves to honor her memory her 4 children, Carrol P. Jr. (Tammy) Frinks, Edwin P. Frinks, Idrella P. Frinks, Chamiqua Henderson, 3 special children, Kenneth (Debbre) Robinson, Alfreda Freeman, Bradley Bellamy, 1 sister, Elizabeth Jean White, 2 brothers, Earl Smith and Elvis Smith. 2 sisters in law, Bobbie Jean (Clarence) Freeman, and Bernice Frinks, 11 grandchildren, Za'Keithan (Keith) Frinks, Za'Kedric (Ricky) Frinks, Za'Keiraly (Pearl #2) Frinks, Za'Keiyan (Chuck-Chuck) Frinks, Za'Keibriyan (Ray) Frinks, Javius (P.J.) Sanders, Edwin (Peanut) Frinks, Christian (Chris) Frinks, Serenity (Jayla) Anderson, Maddison and Morgan (Apple Bandits) Mitchell, 2 Great Grandchildren, Khalil (Chunk) Anderson, and Malikhi (snickerdoodle) Johnson, 1 special friend, Shelby Faulk and a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends.*



1955 - 2024



Sheila Ann Bynum

Sheila Ann Bynum was born on **May 17, 1953**, in Newark, NJ to the late Rufus Bellamy Sr. and Eloise Evans Bellamy. She entered into eternal rest on **November 7, 2024**, peacefully at her home surrounded by family. Sheila has joined Rufus Bellamy Sr. (father), Eloise Evans Bellamy (mother), Genise Evans (brother), Rufus Howard Bellamy Jr. (brother), Hattie Annette Anthony (sister), and Gerard Bynum (son). Sheila graduated from South Side High School. She also attended Rutgers University. Sheila was united in holy matrimony to Jesse Bynum Sr. on August 20, 1981. From this union Sheila gave birth to Gerard Bynum (deceased) and Jesse Bynum Jr. She and her family relocated to California for many years prior to retiring from the Department of Defense in 2010 and settling in Myrtle Beach, SC. Sheila was very talented. She enjoyed, knitting, sewing, shopping, spending time with family and most of all, spoiling her granddaughter Jaylin. *She leaves to mourn her husband, Jesse Bynum Sr., son, Jesse Bynum Jr. (Amalia); granddaughter, Jaylin; sister, Barbara Bellamy; niece, Stacey Bellamy-Battles; mother-in-law, Mildred Bynum; stepdaughter, Shyree Smith; cousins, Linda Caldwell, & Denise Goldsby; friends, Jimmy and Betty Adams and a host of family and friends from California and other states.*



1953 - 2024



Joyce Quintaine (Quinn) Jones

Joyce Quintaine (Quinn) Jones was born on **March 14, 1946**, in Conway, SC, to the late William Taft Alford and Thillian Jones Alford. She transitioned from this earth into eternal life on **Thursday, November 21, 2024**, peacefully at her home. Quinn received her early education in the public schools of Conway, SC, and graduated with the Class of 1963 from Whittemore High School. After studying at Benedict College, she returned home to begin her family life. She was married to the late Bruce L. Jones, and they were blessed with two children, Monique and Bruce. Quinn is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers: Chester and William (Shingie) and one sister, Sylvia. *Quinn leaves to cherish her loving memories, daughter-Monique J. Burgess, son-Bruce (Kimberly), five grandsons; Kennan, Michael, Dorian, Emanuel, and Mason; and two bonus grandsons, Jaylen and Jalik; one brother: Emerson Alford (Ursula) and one sister, Molly Robinson. Three sisters-in-law: Doris Ballen, Gwen Chestnut, and Bonnie Dewitt; one brother-in-law: Sha'Ron "Pete" Jones. She also leaves an extended family, including nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends.*



1946- 2024



Edwin Evans

Edwin Evans was born on **March 9, 1948**. He departed this life on **November 6, 2024**. Mr. Evans is survived by his 4 children, 7 grandchildren, and 1 great-grand



1948 - 2024



Raymond Callanan

Raymond Callanan was born on **June 1, 1956**. He departed this life on **November 18, 2024**. He was the brother of Mrs. Karen McManus and Mr. Kevin Callanan.



1956 - 2024



Flossie Walker

Flossie Walker was born on **February 1, 1930**. She departed this life on **November 11, 2024**.



1930 - 2024



Rachel Cox

Rachel Cox departed this life on **November 9, 2024**.



19 - 2024



Harold Livingston

Harold Norman Livingston, Sr. the son of the late Robert and Azie Lee Livingston was born **June 16, 1946**. On **November 21, 2024** he departed this life. Harold was a graduate of the Chestnut Consolidated High School, Class of 1965. He accepted Christ as his personal Savior at an early age and was a member of Mt. Zion AME Church, where he served on the Senior Choir. Harold enlisted in the US Army in 1965 and served in the Vietnam War. On May 21, 1967 he was joined in Holy Matrimony to Patricia M. Vereen. Harold is preceded in death by his wife Patricia M. Livingston, his parents, one brother, Robert Lee Livingston; three sisters-in-law, Linda Vereen, Helen Conyers, and Catherine Vereen; five brothers-in-law, Franklin Vereen, Charles Vereen, Clarence Vereen, Nelson Livingston, and Prince Conyers. *Harold leaves cherished memories to his children, James Randall (Hope) of Conway, Harold N. Livingston, Jr. (Tracie) of Little River, and Lawanda Livingston of the home; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one sister, Beverly (Johnnie) Summers; three sisters-in-law, Crystal Livingston, Marva Livingston, and Brenda Vereen; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.*



1946-2024



Geneva Bessant

Geneva Bessant was born on **July 27, 1933**. She departed this life on **November 20, 2024**.



1933 - 2024



Jah'Meke Gause

Jah'Meke Gause was born on **August 22, 1993**. He departed this life on **November 23, 2024**. He was the son of the late Mr. James Gause and Mrs. Qiana Gause of Little River, SC.

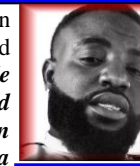


1993 - 2024



Keven Jamar Samuel

Kevin Jama Samuel was born on **September 6, 1990**. He departed this life on **November 19, 2024**. He is survived by his mother and father: Ms. Evelyn Marie Johnson and Mr. Donald Kevin Samuel; a brother, Jameson L. Johnson and a sister, LaDawn K. Samuel.



1990 - 2024



Wallace Wright

Wallace Wright departed this life on **November 21, 2024**.



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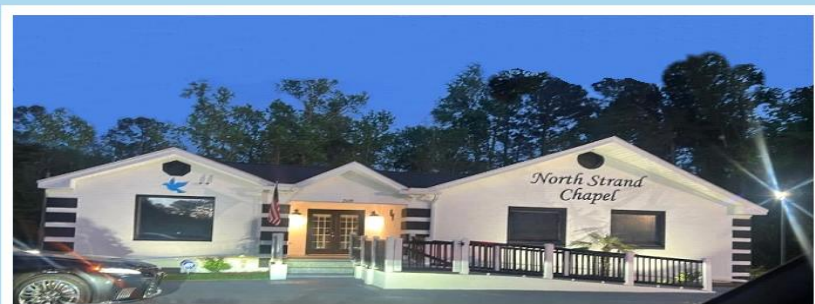
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