

Obituaries

Catherine Merrill Sillers Englisbe

GREENVILLE – Catherine Merrill Silvers Englisbe, 51, beloved wife of John Englisbe, of Greenville, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2018.

Merrill loved spending her time cooking, and she enjoyed collecting Coca-Cola and “I Love Lucy” memorabilia. She was a loving mother, wife and sister and will be greatly missed. She was preceded in death by her parents, Will Creed and Cath-

erine Silvers.

She is survived by her daughter, Ashton; her brother, Matt Silvers; her aunt, Edith Bussey; her uncle, Terry Silvers; her cousin, Marty Silvers; and her dog, Max.

A graveside memorial service was held at noon on Tuesday, Jan. 15 at Plum Branch Cemetery.

The Palmetto Mortuary, Greenville, was in charge.

Tyronne Tremayne Barker

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Tyronne Tremayne Barker graced the earth on Feb. 24, 1980 at Self Regional Hospital in Greenwood to Wiley Jr. and Barbara B. Barker. Tyronne, affectionately known as “Ty a.k.a. Da Mayor” departed this life on Jan. 8, 2019 at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Ty was a member of Pine Grove A.M.E. Church and was a member of YPD Choir. He was last employed with Sterlite Corporation of Clinton. Ty was a faithful Redskins fan.

Preceding Tyronne in death was his father, Wiley Barker Jr.; daughter, Wy’lasia Nyjeria Barker; and a brother, Wytavious Barker.

Tyronne leaves to cherish his memories a loving and devoted mother, Barbara (James Silbert) Barker; a son, Sincere Barker of Abbeville; a daughter, Kiera Letman of Columbia; a granddaughter,

Amiyah Barker; grandsons, Adrian Barker and Kayden Letman, both of Columbia; two brothers, Marcus Battle of Columbia and Gavin Avery of McCormick; sister, Courtney (Louis) Turner of Calhoun Falls; three cousins/sisters reared in the home, Tashun Battle of McCormick, LaQuencey (Jackie) Johnson of Brandy Wine, Md., and Ro’Miyah Payton of McCormick; a loving and devoted friend, Kimberly Jordan of Greenbelt, Md.; and a host of aunts, uncle, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Homegoing service will be held Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019, 11 a.m. at Pine Grove A.M.E Church, 317 Pine Grove Church Rd., Plum Branch, SC with burial in the church cemetery. Condolences and flowers may be sent by visiting www.bosticktompkinsinc.com.

Bostick-Tompkins Funeral Home is in charge.

Sandra Diane Freeman Milton

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. – Sandra Diane Freeman Milton, widow of Thomas Jefferson Milton, departed this life Jan. 9, 2019 at the Me-Sun Hospice Care Center in Lawrenceville, Ga.

Born in McCormick on July 7, 1955, she was the daughter of the late James Talmadge and Sarah Permelia Freeman. She was a member of Shiloh A.M.E. Church, where she served on the usher board and stewardess board and was a member of the Gospel Choir. She was employed as a teacher’s assistant with the McCormick School District, from which she retired. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Curtis Patterson, James Phillip Freeman and Eric Freeman.

She is survived by two daughters, Yvonda Thomas (Derrick) of Lawrenceville, Ga. and Daviona Dunlap of Atlanta, Ga.; one son, Lyndale Milton (Christine) of Abbeville;

seven sisters, Bonnie Strickland of Chicago, Ill., Ojetta Bland (John), Lou Della Stidom (Robert), Roberta Patterson (Curtis) and Janice P. Sibert (James), all of McCormick, Effie Hill (John) of Promised Land and Marie Williams (James) of Boston, Mass.; two brothers, Willie Rayford Freeman (Rosa) of McCormick and Charles D. Freeman (Olivette) of Snellville, Ga.; six grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services and interment was held at Shiloh A.M.E. Church at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 12 with Pastor Paul N. Wharton officiating, assisting the Rev. James Loudon III. The body was placed in the church at 1 p.m.

The family was at the home of James and Janice Sibert, 316 Mims Drive, McCormick.

Walker Funeral Home, McCormick, was in charge.

Inez Ross Lockey Reifsnyder

EDGEFIELD – Inez Ross Lockey Reifsnyder, 99, wife of the late Fred G. Lockey and Wayne Reifsnyder, entered into rest on Monday, Jan. 7, 2019 at the home of her grandson, Alex Hamilton, in Edgefield.

Inez was born in New Bern, N.C., and it was there that she met her first husband, Fred Lockey. After raising their children in New Bern and working for many years in the restaurant business, they moved together to Graniteville and ran the dining room at Midland Valley Country Club. Upon retirement, they moved to McCormick (Clarks Hill), where they enjoyed many great times with their grandchildren. Upon the death of Fred, Inez met and married Wayne Reifsnyder. She led a full and enjoyable life. She was a member of McCormick United Methodist Church and the McCormick Country Club. In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by her two daughters, Linda Smith and Judith Hamilton; and her sister, Alice Ross McSorley.

Survivors include one son, Fred G. Lockey Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla.; one stepson, Jeff (Beth) Reifsnyder of Pennsylvania; one son-in-law, Jack A. Hamilton of Edgefield; one



brother, William Riley Ross Jr. of Florida; grandchildren, Art Hamilton (Angelle) of Atlanta, Ga., Alex (Donna) Hamilton of Edgefield, Kay (Joe) Taynor of S. Daytona, Fla., Joe Smith Jr. and Kelly (Bucky) McIntosh of Jacksonville, Fla. and Andy Lockey of Seneca; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

A graveside service was held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 11 at Rivern Memorial Park with the Rev. Dr. Mark Thompson officiating. The family received friends at the cemetery following the service.

Condolences may be sent to www.rowlandfordfuneralhome.com.

Rowland-Ford Funeral Home was in charge.

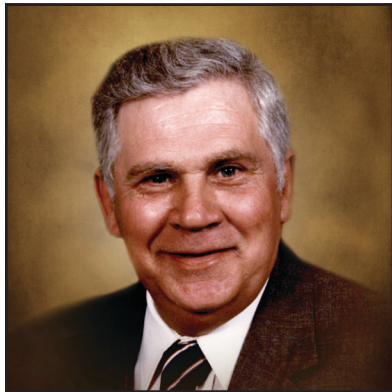
William Raymond White

LINCOLNTON, Ga. - William Raymond White, 80, of Elm St., Lincolnton, Ga., entered into rest on Friday, Jan. 11, 2019 at his residence.

Mr. White, son of the late William and Alma Jennings White, was born in McCormick. He had lived in Lincolnton for the past 58 years and retired from GADOT as a foreman. He loved his family and especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His sister, Jeanette Land, preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Ashmore White; daughters, Cindy W. Cartledge and husband Don of Lincolnton, Machele W. Usry and husband Gary of Greensboro, Ga.; brother, Kenneth White and wife Debbie of Aiken; sister, Brenda Kalbfleisch and husband Thomas of Ninety Six; four grandchildren, Grant Cartledge, Garrett Usry, Ashton Byrne and Mattie Raynor; and four great-grandchildren, Hudler Cartledge, Fulton Cartledge, Rhett Byrne and Asher Byrne.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019 at 3 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home, Lincolnton. Interment followed at Lincolnton



City Cemetery.

Beggs Funeral Home was in charge.

Note of Thanks

Yvonda, Lyndale, Daviona and the entire family of Sandra Diane Freeman Milton would like to thank everyone for all of the cards, flowers, food, visits and kind expressions of sympathy shown to us following the passing of our beloved family member. Your love and support during this difficult time was very much appreciated and a great comfort to us all.

Thank you again,

The Children and
Freeman/Milton Families

Abbeville Area Medical Center recognized with Zero Harm Awards



On hand to receive the Zero Harm Awards presented by the SCHA were (l-r) Dean Turner, CEO; Chris Ceraldi, MD, chief of staff; Laura Baughman, RN, infection control nurse; Thornton Kirby, SCHA president and CEO; and Chris Oxendine, MD, Board of Trustees Medical Staff representative.

Thornton Kirby, president and CEO of the South Carolina Hospital Association (SCHA) recently presented AAMC with five Zero Harm Awards in recognition of the hospital’s efforts to eliminate harm.

AAMC was recognized for having zero hospital acquired Clostridium Difficile (C diff) for 24 months, zero hospital acquired Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) for 42 months, zero central line associated blood stream infections (CLASBI) in the ICU for 58 months, zero surgical site infections of the knee for 58 months and zero surgical site infections of the hip for 58 months.

“I commend our staff for their incredible diligence and for consistently taking the steps necessary to provide a safe environment for our patients,” stated Dean Turner, AAMC CEO. “This truly is a testament to our dedication and commitment to provide the highest quality of care possible.”

SCHA launched Zero Harm Awards in 2013 after years of supporting South Carolina hospitals, which were already on the forefront of preventing medical errors, which by some estimates, is the third leading cause of death in the United States and can have an economic impact that could reach \$1 trillion annually. Thanks to a collaboration with The Duke Endowment and The Joint Commission Center for Transforming Health, South Carolina hospitals were united in a statewide effort to create a culture of high reliability and reduce harm in our facilities by implementing robust, evidence-based practices that are making a positive impact on patients and the safety and quality of care.

Over the last five years, SCHAs Zero Harm Awards program has provided concrete proof of our hospitals’ success. By celebrating hospitals that have had extended harm-free stretches in major surgical areas, the Zero Harm Awards showcase the high quality of care patients in South Carolina receive. All of the hospital

data used for these awards is also independently verified by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

In 2018, SCHA introduced two new eligible harm areas for awards, Clostridium Difficile (C.Diff) and Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA), two other common areas of infection which our hospitals have been systematically eliminating inside their walls.

According to Kirby, the awards are all part of the Association’s efforts to guide and support the state’s hospitals in creating a culture of “Zero Harm” by recognizing the efforts of the amazing clinicians who work every day to provide high quality care in South Carolina’s hospitals and health systems.

“Zero Harm is about taking the principles of high reliability and applying them to how we deliver healthcare in South Carolina,” said Kirby. “While one medical error is one too many, highly reliable organizations celebrate milestones to establish a new standard - and that’s exactly what we’re trying to do with Zero Harm.”

Abbeville Area Medical Center has been meeting the region’s healthcare needs since 1919. The hospital offers a full range of services, including a 24-hour emergency department, an inpatient and outpatient surgery center, radiology services including MRI, wellness center, diabetes education, wound care center, sleep lab, laboratory, physical, speech and occupational therapy, swing bed inpatient rehabilitation, Direct Health-Industrial Medicine, behavioral health and home health care. The medical staff includes board-certified primary care physicians and surgeons as well as specialists in urology, ear, nose and throat (ENT), and neurology. For more information about Abbeville Area Medical Center, please call the Marketing Department at 864-366-3364 or visit AbbevilleAreaMC.com.



McCormick CPW Water

Treatment Plant receives award

The McCormick Commission of Public Works Water Treatment Plant was recently the recipient of the Area-Wide Optimization Program (AWOP) award from the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) for successfully exceeding water quality goals. The AWOP program encourages water treatment plants to “voluntarily optimize” water treatment techniques so that they can better protect and serve the health of the public. According to the S.C. DHEC, the AWOP model achieves water quality that is approximately 10 times better than regulatory standards. “The employees at our plant strive every day to produce the best possible drinking water for all of our customers. This award demonstrates our commitment to providing high quality water to the people of McCormick and the surrounding areas,” said Edward Deason, (pictured center) McCormick CPW Water Plant chief operator.

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Dr. W. Walsh, DMD

Walsh Dental Associates

It’s important to have regular dental check-ups because they help keep your teeth and gums healthy. You should have a regular dental visit at least every six months or as recommended by your dental professional.

There are two parts to a regular dental visit – check-up, an examination, and the cleaning, or oral prophylaxis. At your dental check-up Walsh Dental Associates will check for cavities. X-rays might be taken to detect cavities between your teeth.

The exam will also include a check for plaque and tartar on your teeth. Plaque is a clear, sticky layer of bacteria. If it is not removed, it can harden and become tartar. You cannot remove tartar with brushing and flossing. If plaque and tartar build up on your teeth, they can cause oral diseases.

Next, your gums will be checked. This will be done with a special tool to measure the depth of the spaces between your teeth and gums. With healthy gums, the spaces are shallow. When people have gum disease, the spaces may become deeper.

The check-up will also include a careful examination of your tongue, throat, face, head and neck. This is to look for any signs of trouble – swelling, redness or possible signs of cancer.

Your teeth will also be cleaned at your visit. Brushing and flossing help clean the plaque from your teeth, but you can’t remove tartar at home. During the cleaning, our dental professional will use special tools to remove tartar. This is called scaling.



After your teeth are scaled, they may be polished. In most cases, a gritty paste is used for this. It helps to remove any surface stains on your teeth.

The final step is flossing. Our dental professional will use floss to make sure the areas between your teeth are clean.

Be sure to take care of your teeth and gums between your regular Walsh Dental Associates visits. Plaque is always forming on your teeth, but you can manage it by brushing and flossing regularly.

Here are some tips for good oral care at home. Brush your teeth at least twice a day. Be sure to use a toothpaste that contains fluoride. Floss daily. Use a mouthwash to help control plaque bacteria. This will also help to keep your breath fresh.

Making an appointment on a regular basis, with Walsh Dental Associates, and following daily good oral hygiene practices at home, you are more likely to keep your teeth, gums and smile healthy.

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