

# OBITUARIES

## Lewis Lee Cook

Funeral services for Mr. Lewis Lee Cook, 85, of Berkshire Dr., were held Wednesday, February 2, at the Hopkins Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jim Newsome officiating. Interment followed at Resthaven Cemetery, where Mr. Cook received Masonic Rites via Lafayette Lodge #23. Mr. Cook entered into rest on Sunday, January 30, at McDuffie-University Hospital in Thomson.

Mr. Cook was born in Union Point, Ga., and had lived in Washington since 1970. He was the son of the late James and Lilla Norris Cook. He was the husband of Joan Kennedy Echols Cook, and was first married to Ann Taylor Cook, who passed away in 2018. He was a retired Independent Life Insurance salesman and was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was a Mason, was a Past Master, and a 50 Year Mason. He was a member of Lafayette Masonic Lodge #23. He was also a member of the Sardis Baptist Church, and previously been an active member at the Washington First United Methodist Church for a number of years.

Mr. Cook is survived by his wife, Joan K. Cook, of Rayle; 2 daughters, Susan C. Whittingslow (John), of Atlantic Beach, Fla., and Sandra C. Standard, of Washington; one sister, Martha Johnson (James), of Thomson; three step-sons, Norman Echols, Jr. (Regina), of Jacksonville, Fla., Jason Echols, of Thomson, and Shane Echols (Carol), of Mineral, Va.; three grandchildren, Cathryn Eagle, Taylor C. Upson (Shawn), and Doug Standard; and two great grandchildren, Ayden Eagle and Reagan Eagle. Mr. Cook was preceded in death by a son, Michael Lee Cook, and by a grandson, Kyle Lewis Standard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lafayette Masonic Lodge #23, P.O. Box 1305, Washington, Ga. 30673.

## Terry Gene Crocker Sr.

Terry Gene Crocker, Sr., 78, of Washington, Georgia, passed away on January 23, 2022, after a battle with Covid 19.

Terry was born on October 21, 1943, in Opelika, Alabama. He graduated from Opelika High School as a member of the Class of 1962. Terry was an avid fisherman and passed along his love of fishing to his sons. He enjoyed spending time with his family, working in his garden and playing with his great-granddaughter Baylee. He was retired from the city of Washington and was a member of Pine Point Camping Club in Lincoln, Georgia.

Terry is predeceased by his parents Clayton Eugene and Edna L. Crocker. He is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Shirley Crocker; sons Terry Gene Crocker Jr. (Jan), Andy Crocker and Clay Crocker (Dana); brother Ron Crocker (Susie); step-children Wade Waller (Joanna) and Sherry Philips (Glen); grandchildren



Hannah Crocker, Camden and Alex Crocker; step grandchildren Wesley Waller, Jake Waller and Stephen Phillips and several great-grandchildren.

Terry has joined those already gone on ahead of him. When our time comes, we'll find him fishing in the rivers of Heaven with his best friend Overton.

A celebration of Terry's life will be held in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wills Memorial Hospital in Washington, Ga.

## Georgia State University names several local students to Dean's list

Georgia State University has announced students named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, degree-seeking students must have earned a GPA of at least 3.5 for a minimum of nine semester hours of academic credit taken at Georgia State during the fall or spring term with no incompletes for the semester. Eligible students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 for all classes taken at Georgia State.

Local students that were recognized were Pasha Blackmon and Ta'aliyah Booker, both of Washington.

Georgia State University, an urban public research university. The university has a student body of nearly 52,000.



Jackson Chapel and Blackrock has a new phone number which is 1-617-793-8272. Additionally, the worship service time has been changed to 11:00. Worship service is now held in the church as well as virtually.

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Are you about to turn 65? Need help with Medicare? The Wilkes County Senior Center offers free help through the Georgia Cars State Health Insurance Assistance Program every first Wednesday form 10 am -noon. The next session will be held at the Senior Center on Wednesday, March 3. For additional Medicare counseling services, call 866-522-4464.

The Pope Center, contact the City of Washington at 706-678-3277 or visit City Hall located at 102 E. Liberty Street.

The V.F.W. Post 5899 now has a community can recycling cage. Please take all aluminum cans behind the V.F.W. (240 Andrew Drive in Washington) and drop them into the cage for recycling purposes.

If you are new to Washington-Wilkes and have not been visited by the Welcome to Washington Committee, contact them at [welcomewashingtonga@gmail.com](mailto:welcomewashingtonga@gmail.com) or 706-678-1019.

Zumba classes will be offered by certified instructor Tiffany Weser on Tuesdays at 6:00p.m. and the first Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at the Curry Colvin Rec Complex Gymnasium, 1962 Rowland York Dr., Lincoln. Classes are \$5 per class or \$15 per month.

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The Washington City Council will hold its next regular meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022 at The Pope Center.

Springfield Baptist Church of Washington, will be having our Usher's Anniversary the 2nd Sunday of February, February 13 at 11 a.m. Rev. McKenzie Cory Wynn, Pastor.

The Washington City Council will hold its next regular meeting on Monday, February 14, at 6 p.m. at the Pope Center.

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The County Commissioners will hold their monthly meeting February 10 at 2 p.m.

The Board of Registrars will hold their monthly meeting February 10 at 4 p.m. at the courthouse.

## Happy Retirement, Ms. Geraldine Dill!



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