

OBITUARY

Jessie Bass Bunch

TYNER - Jessie Rea Bass Bunch, 95, of 519 Center Hill Road, died Tuesday, July 2, 2019 in Vidant Chowan Hospital, Edenton.

Mrs. Bunch was born in Chowan County on March 22, 1924, and was the daughter of the late John Thomas and Evie Pierce Bass. A retired seamstress from the former Don Juan Manufacturing Corporation, she was a member of Center Hill Baptist Church, its WMU, and the Faithful Workers Sunday School Class.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Johnnie Paul Bunch; a daughter, Jo Anne Bunch; a son, Paul Gary Bunch; a grandson-in-law, Les Bass; five sisters, Sabra Sitterson, Helen Mitchell, Nora Hassell, Eunice Bunch, and Lillian Harrell; and by three brothers, Sanford, Wallace, and John Bass.

Surviving are her daughter, Linda B. Jethro and husband, Melvin, of Corapeake; a daughter-in-law, Jane C. Bunch of Tyner; three grandchildren, Neil Jethro (Stacie), Laura Bass, and Amanda Browder (Allen); six great-grandchildren, Alexis, Ian, Amber, Noelle, Jessie, and Noah; and three great-great-grandchildren, Kennedy, Rylee, and Olivia.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 6, 2019, at Center Hill Baptist Church, and were conducted by the Revs. Russell Blanchard and Don English. A private burial followed in Beaver Hill Cemetery. Friends joined the family in the fellowship hall of the church immediately following the service, and all other times at the residence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Center Hill Baptist Church, PO Box 159, Tyner, NC 27980.

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, 735 Virginia Road, Edenton, handled the arrangements, and online condolences may be made by visiting www.millerfhc.com.

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Two of these churches have a history of service to the organization, according to Unit Director Susan T. Brothers.

"During the school year, Edenton Baptist and Open Door Church serves dinners to our children of the after-school program once a month, so that's the way they partnership with us," she said in an interview Saturday. Elizabeth Mitchell is the Boys and Girls Club Albemarle Region's executive director.

Other churches have volunteered and assisted with BGC services.

"Open Door also has a Father's Day fundraiser every year and has given annually to the Boys and Girls Club," Brothers added.

This year, the Boys and Girls Club Summer Camp is slated to serve 51 children. The donations from the three churches will be used to purchase supplies, fund trips and provide healthy lunches for the children. When school starts this fall, BGC hopes to increase its annual after-school enrollment of roughly 75-80 children. Brothers clarified, "Last year, we had 110 [children] on our roster, but we serve 80 per day."

The Boys and Girls Club of the Albemarle — with locations in Elizabeth City and Chowan County — has been shaping children's lives for several years.



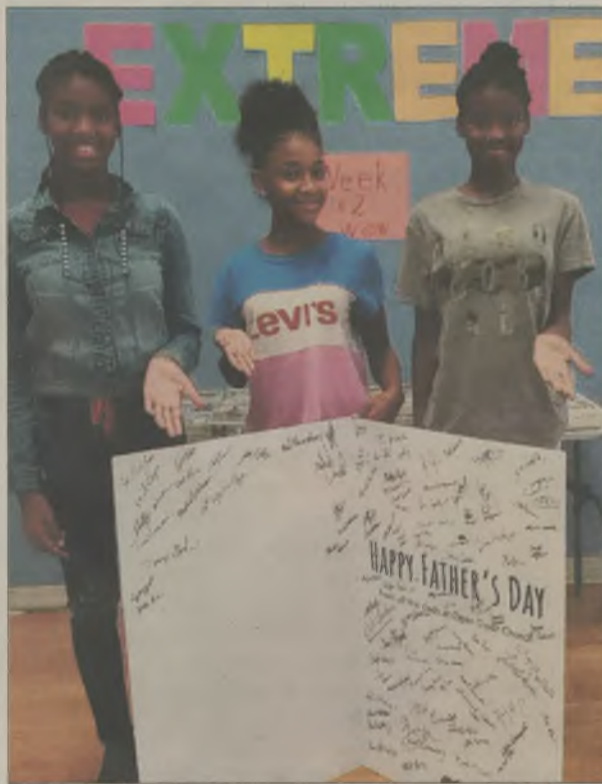
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Susan Brothers, unit director for Boys and Girls Club Edenton/Chowan, accepts a donation from members of Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church.

Its three-tiered initiative (academic success, character and leadership, healthy lifestyles), is solely donation operated. Though they receive support from well-known local sponsors, such as Colony Tire, United Way, Albemarle Bank and Trust and GCF Global, there is a way that you can help — volunteer or give to the Boys and Girls Club.

Brothers explained how to help the organization. "Whether it is with the dinner parties, or volunteering to help our children with their homework during our power hour sessions, it would be greatly appreciated."

The Boys and Girls Club of the Albemarle can be found on the internet at www.ecbgc.org, on its Instagram page @boys_and_girls_clubs_albemarle, and on Facebook.



Boys and Girls Club participants show off a Father's Day card signed by various members of the program. Open Door Church hosts an annual Father's Day fundraiser that benefits Boys and Girls Club.

AMERICA

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Attorney Hood Ellis delivered a very thorough biographical sketch of Joseph Hewes — whose monument by which the annual event takes place.

Hewes, who died just short of his 50th birthday, moved to Edenton at the age of 25. He was a man of business, owning a mercantile company, a rope-making company and a shipyard. He was also instrumental in the creation of Edenton Academy and on the vestry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

According to Ellis, Hewes' grave marker at

Christ Church in Philadelphia reads "one of the best and most agreeable men in the world."

"Now, isn't that a great thing to have on your tombstone?" Ellis remarked.

Before reading the Declaration of Independence, Vaughan noted that the Founding Fathers were declaring war on the mightiest empire in the world.

"That is a bold statement," he said.

The Edenton Tea Party NSDAR honored Vaughan for his 24 years of service as mayor. Past and present members of town council who attended the ceremony came up as Vaughan

received his certificate.

The mayor talked to the crowd.

"I would like to show my appreciation to all of you for your support over the years," he said. "I have served with pleasure and humility."

The group also presented a certificate to Edenton Historic Sites for

its 20-year relationship with the Edenton DAR. Much thanks Site Manager of Historic Edenton State Historic Sites Bob Hopkins.

Worth noting, Edenton DAR tribute too was paid to past Edenton American Legion Post 40 Commander Ron Green for his 20 years of service as a

member of the Color Guard. And did you know that American Legion Post 40 will be turning 100 years old later this year? Yep. Through its service to the community, our American Legion Post has been part and parcel of our community. The post is actively looking for photos of past

commanders and other memorabilia for their celebration.

Edenton Baptist Church's David Brooks offered the opening and closing prayers during the ceremony and urged the audience to "come back next year, having made a difference in the world."



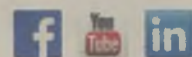
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