

OBITUARY

Carl Gray Lane

EDENTON - Carl Gray Lane, 85, of 201 Luke Street, Apt. 8, died Sunday afternoon, July 21, 2019, in his home where he was surrounded by his family.

Mr. Lane was born in Chowan County on September 8, 1933, and was the son of the late Norman Earl and Essie Copeland Lane. Employed for many years with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, he first worked as a Draw Bridge operator, and at the time of his retirement was a Supervisor. A faithful member of Macedonia Baptist Church, he had served as Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, and as a leader for both the Royal Ambassadors and the Youth Department. He had served in the United States Army, and later in the North Carolina National Guard.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Earl and Gene Lane.

Surviving are his wife of over 60 years, Ruth Owens Lane; his daughter, Carla Lane Lamb and husband, Vic, of Edenton; two granddaughters, Beth Moore and husband, Brandon, of Wilmington, and Katie Overton and husband, Jason, of Hertford; and four great-grandchildren, Carter Moore, Carlie Grayce Lamb, Owen Overton, and Ever Lillie Overton.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in Macedonia Baptist Church and will be conducted by the Rev. Chris Gravning and the Rev. Bob Young. A private burial will follow in Beaver Hill Cemetery. Friends joined the family Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, 735 Virginia Road, Edenton, and all other times at the residence.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Macedonia Baptist Church, P.O. Box 18, Edenton, NC 27932.

Online condolences may be made by visiting www.millerfhc.com.

OBITUARY POLICY

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Obituaries must be received, processed and approved by 8 a.m. Tuesday to appear in print in the Wednesday edition.

Death notices can include the name and age of the decedent; funeral and visitation or viewing information; and the name of the funeral home.

Initiative provides scam education

FBI, AARP team up, warn seniors of latest scams

SUBMITTED REPORT

RALEIGH — The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of North Carolina partnered with the FBI and AARP to promote the Department of Justice's Elder Justice Initiative by conducting outreach and educating older adults about the latest scams so they do not fall victim. Approximately 2,500 seniors in the Eastern District dialed-in to an interactive telephone town hall to learn about the latest financial scams affecting seniors.

The Department of Justice's Elder Justice Initiative aims to combat the financial exploitation of our senior citizens by expanding efforts to investigate and prosecute financial scams

that target seniors; educate older adults on how to identify scams and avoid getting ripped off by scammers; and promote greater coordination with law enforcement partners.

According to statistics collected by the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center victims lost \$2.71 billion to fraud in 2018, and victims over the age of 60 lost \$649,227.724.

Some examples of financial fraud targeting seniors discussed during the telephone townhall were:

- Affinity Fraud – in which the scammer pretends to have some connection to the senior or a basis for establishing trust, such as being a member of the same cultural, racial, ethnic, or religious community.
- Prize Scam – also known as "lottery scam" in which the scammer

claims you won a prize or lottery money but you have to pay a "processing fee" or taxes before you can claim the prize.

- Grandparent Scam – where the scammer convinces seniors that their grandchild is in trouble and needs money to pay rent, bills, unexpected car repairs, or even money for bail.

- Tech Support Scam – in which seniors may be surfing the internet and a pop-up appears claiming the computer is infected with a virus and is designed to get access to your computer.

- Romance Scam – which scammers start an online romantic relationship and lull victims into believing they need funds for a visit to the U.S. or some other purpose.

Some tips shared with the participants on how to avoid falling victim to a

financial scam were:

- Don't share personal information with anyone you don't know.
- Don't pay a fee for a prize or lottery winning.
- Don't click on pop-up ads or messages.
- Delete phishing emails and ignore harassing phone calls.
- Don't send gift cards, checks, money orders, wire money, or give your bank account information to a stranger.
- Don't fall for a high-pressure sales pitch or a lucrative business deal.
- If a scammer approaches you, take the time to talk to a friend or family member.
- Keep in mind that if you send money once, you'll be a target for life.
- Remember, it's not rude to say, "NO."
- A good rule of thumb is, if it's too good to be true, it's likely a scam.

Man sentenced in Edenton robbery

Rasheen Arnold gets 9 1/2 years in prison

STAFF REPORT

An Elizabeth City man was sentenced to more than nine years in federal prison for charges connected to the armed robbery of people outside a check-cashing business in Edenton in 2018.

Rasheen Jerome Arnold, 24, was sentenced July 16 to a total of 114 months in prison by Chief U.S. District Judge James C. Dever III, the U.S. Attorney's Office

for the Eastern District of North Carolina said in a press release.

Arnold pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm by a felon on Jan. 22, U.S. Attorney Robert J. Higdon Jr. said.

According to the press release, Arnold approached several people outside the Friendly Check Cashing office in Edenton on April 25, 2018, demanding that they give him money. When they told him they didn't have any money, he pulled a firearm from his pocket

and claimed he would kill them if they did not comply with his demand.

One person went in the check-cashing business and returned with \$12, the press release states. Arnold told the person that wasn't enough and demanded more.

Returning inside the business, the person called 911 and reported he was being robbed.

When Edenton police responded, Arnold fled on foot but was apprehended after a brief foot chase. He was arrested after a

firearm was recovered from his pants pocket.

Arnold, a convicted felon, was indicted on a charge of possession of a firearm by a felon on July 25, 2018.

In addition to an active prison term, Dever also sentenced Arnold to three years of supervised release.

According to Higdon, Arnold was prosecuted under Project Safe Neighborhoods, a program involving multiple levels of law enforcement to reduce violent crime.

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guideline suggested by Associated Press Style—though we may switch the order from time to time.

The newspaper's policy is not to endorse any candidate, though we encourage letters to the editor — 300 word limit for such matters.

In the coming months, other articles will appear about the candidates and what they plan to do if elected.

The three mayoral candidates were asked what they would do differently if elected.

"Four years ago when Roland announced that this would be his last term, I announced right away that I was going to seek the mayor's office," said Biggs, mayor pro-tem. "Since that time I have been thinking about the good things that this council has achieved, and other things I would like for us do."

Biggs wants better communication between stakeholders.

"First I want to have more communication with the county commissioners and the board of education," he said. "In my opinion, I think that these three boards need to have more engagement with each other to discuss the many matters that affect this community."

Regional unity is critical to local solutions.

"I think we need to work

more regionally," Biggs said. "There are several things that we can do together with our surroundings town and counties that can help our region grow economically as a whole."

Lassiter-Hardy seeks an inclusive and diverse Edenton.

"I will start with encouraging a diverse, inclusive community one where differences are celebrated and desired for a 'Better Edenton,'" she said. "Understanding that the wealth of our future rests in the cruse of perspectives, experiences, ideas and skills we're recipients of supports a Better Edenton."

Lassiter said she'll encourage transparency and accountability among town officials and town dealings via the Town Oversight Committee and encourage town councilor to develop stronger ties with their constituents thereby supporting better governance.

Lassiter said she supports outside resources and education to obtain healthy drinking water for our residents. She wants to render plans for Edenton's grocery store, therefore ridding us from a food desert. Lassiter also wants to consider youth and young adults programs and resources promoting economic, social and



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recreational growth. She'd like to collaborate with partners interested in forming initiatives designed to produce homeownership among residents and veterans of Edenton, while encouraging neighborhoods development.

"No matter race, gender, or economic status, educational status or background if you reside in Edenton, I believe you should have clean healthy drinking water, quality education and health facilities, adequate business, career and job opportunities with a climate for families to thrive and Edenton to grow," she said. "I'd encourage restoration of our moral stance and respect for each other that we, Edentonians produce and leave a legacy of diversity, inclusion and community for future generations."

Lassiter said she intends to cultivate a group of people who can consider spheres outside of their sphere as those in their circles.

"We will take respon-

sibility for our present and future. At some point we must intercept and produce something greater, my candidacy and election is the start of that point. Remember, charity starts at home. My difference is inclusion. The best way to change for the better is acknowledge the price paid for the present of the past and decide better."

How will Stallings do things different from the mayor he's worked closely with during the past 20 years?

"Roland Vaughan has been an outstanding mayor, and I have been privileged to serve along side him for the past 20 years," he said. "I will strive to employ the same thoughtful attention to each and every concern, issue and opportunity that comes before the Council."

Stallings said during the past 10 years, Edenton and Chowan County has lost 5.8% of its population. "Edenton's mayor is the first contact and lead negotiator with economic development prospects. As mayor, I will use my experience as a businessman and town council member to grow our employment opportunities with a focus

on increasing our population," he said. "Reversing this trend is vital for our citizens. My relationship and over 10 years of service with the Edenton-Chowan Partnership, our economic development board, will allow me to initiate several ideas as well as continue our efforts with existing prospects."

Stallings has plans to promote development.

"We are proud of the retirement and tourism part of our community; but, we must develop plans for attracting and retaining young professionals," he said. "Affordable housing is one area that I plan to address by jump starting new home construction in our town and ways to rehabilitate current neighborhoods where we have

blight. Edenton must be able to adjust to the changing wants and needs of our citizens without compromising our proud past. As a businessman, I know how to adapt to change."

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 Alice, Joyce and Family

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and with a vision to be a safe and friendly community."

Biggs is big on skills to govern. Currently, Biggs as the executive director for Bertie County Economic Development. Having lived in Edenton since 1971, Biggs has had the privilege to serve the people of Edenton, Chowan County and the northeast North Carolina region in several capacities, including past membership in the Edenton Jaycee's, District and Region Director and past

president of the Yeopim Ruritan Club. He is now serving as the vice chairman of the US Highway 17/64 Association.

Among other highlights, Biggs said he was honored to receive The Order Of The Long Leaf Pine when he was 21-years-old from Gov. James B. Hunt. He's married to Susan Biggs and they have two adults sons Josh and Johnson and daughter in-law Elizabeth Biggs and two granddaughters Skylar and Sadee.

Besides Biggs, current councilor Jimmy Stallings and business woman Jacqueline Hardy-Lassiter are running for mayor.