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'Here's looking at you kid' Above is a picture of a goat taken at the Livermon Park Mini Zoo during the snow.

## Obituaries

## Edgar Robert Cale

AULANDER, NC- Edgar Robert Cale, age 77, died peacefully on January 5, 2017 at the Vidant Inpatient Hospice of Greenville, NC.

Mr. Cale, a native of Bertie County, was born on October 27, 1939 to James Darden and Johnnie White Cale in Colerain, NC. Upon graduating high school, he became an apprentice for the FBI. Robert married the love of his life in 1961 and relocated to Virginia Beach. He began working as a Forensics Technician for the Virginia Beach Police department, retiring in 2000 after many years of dedicated service to the department. He was instrumental in the development of the latent fingerprinting process in the city of Virginia Beach. Robert was a hardworking man who always provided for his family. He enjoyed coin collecting, paint by number, putting puzzles together, and had a passion for humming birds, having tons return year after year for his pleasure. Robert was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and will be deeply missed by all those that knew and loved him.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Hettie Jordan and brother, James Dalton Cale.

Edgar is survived by his wife Lessie, two sons, Jerry (Ridgley) Cale, and Donald (Lisa) Cale, both of Virginia Beach, VA; his daughter, Robin Cale (Cary) Whitt of Little Elm, TX; fourteen grandchildren; Cory Cale, Gina Cale Harris (Jake), Kristan Cale, Kara Cale, Sophie Cale, Dakota Cale, all of Virginia Beach, VA, Skyler Whitt, Devyn Whitt, Whitney Whitt, all of Little Elm, TX, Danielle Vincent (Rob), Ashlee Funaro, Alyssa Funaro, Mark White, and George White, all of Virginia Beach, VA; three great-grandchildren; Christian Cale, Andi Harris, and Weston Cale; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff and nurses for all the care and dedication they gave Robert and his family throughout his sickness.

A celebration of life funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 12, 2017, at 12:00 noon at the Millennium Pentecostal Holiness Church, Aulander, NC, with the Rev. Tommy Tripp officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, at 11:00 am at the church and other times at the home. The burial will follow at Job Cemetery, Aulander, NC.

Memorial contributions may be made directly to the Vidant Home Health and Hospice, Ahoskie, NC or online by visiting [tncfunding.com/search](http://tncfunding.com/search), then type, Robert Cale.

Garrett-Sykes Funeral Service - Ahoskie Chapel is handling the arrangements for the Cale family and online condolences may be directed to the family by visiting [www.garrettsykesfs.com](http://www.garrettsykesfs.com).

## Archie Madison Bowen

WINDSOR - Archie Madison Bowen, Jr., 65, of 123 Davis Road, passed away on Saturday, January 7, 2017 in his home.

Mr. Bowen was born in Bertie County on September 23, 1951, and was the son of the late Archie M., Sr. and Madeline Taylor Bowen. Retired from Perdue Farms, he more recently had worked with Bertie Ambulance Service, was a member of Merry Hill Baptist Church, and had served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War.

Surviving are his wife, Anita Baker Bowen; two daughters, Holley Buda and husband David of Greenville, and Bonnie Copeland and husband Brad of Windsor; a sister, Mary Carol Chesson, and a brother, Kenny Bowen, both of Windsor; and three grandchildren, Courtney Cox, Stephanie Cline, and Owen Buda.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 14th, at 2:00 p.m. in Merry Hill Baptist Church and will be officiated by his pastor, The Rev. Stanley Nixon. Friends may join the family in the social hall of the church immediately following the service, and all other times at the residence.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or online at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

Online condolences may be made by visiting [www.millerfhc.com](http://www.millerfhc.com).

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## Nannie Gray Manning Knowles

WINDSOR - Mrs. Nannie Gray Manning Knowles 93 of Knowles Lane, died January 6, 2017 at the home of her daughter. She was born in Martin County to the late William Lawrence Manning and Annie Belle Cherry Manning, on October 20, 1923 and was predeceased by her husband, Charles Weslie Knowles Sr. She was a member of Cashie Methodist Church. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Thursday January 12, 2017 at Walker Funeral Home Chapel by Reverend Dr. Carroll Tarkington and Reverend Bobby Tyson. Burial will follow at Edgewood Cemetery.

Survivors include her daughter, Nancy Knowles Jernigan and husband, Gene William Jernigan of Murfreesboro; sons Charles Wellie Knowles, Jr and special friend Shirley Steward of Windsor, NC, Richard Lawrence Knowles and wife Ethel Hogard Knowles of Murfreesboro, NC; grandchildren, Joseph Michael Knowles and wife April Coble Knowles, Robert James Knowles, Marcus Jon Knowles and special friend Nikki Robertson, Brian Thomas Knowles and wife Holley Lynn Knowles, David Knowles and wife Sharon Pearce Knowles, Michelle Knowles Williams and husband Ashley Williams, Angela Sortino Puuri and husband Jeff Puuri, Emily Jernigan Brown and husband Addison Brown, Anthony Joseph Sortino and thirteen great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Wednesday January 11th at Walker Funeral Home from 6-7:30 PM and from the home of her daughter, 1541 NC Hwy 11 North, Murfreesboro, NC at other times. Memorial gifts may be made to Vidant Home Care & Hospice, PO Box 272, Ahoskie, NC 27910.

Online condolences may be directed to [www.walkerfh.net](http://www.walkerfh.net). Walker Funeral Home, Windsor is serving the Knowles family.

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BALTIMORE, MD — **Randolph Veale**, 76, died on Thursday, December 29, 2016. The viewing will be held Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 12 noon at the funeral home and a Committal service will be held following the viewing at the Veale Family Cemetery in Lewiston. Arrangements by Chery's Funeral Home of Windsor.

WINDSOR — **Meta Darlene Gilliam**, 51, died on Monday, January 2, 2017. Funeral Monday, January 9, 2017 at 1:00 pm, at Base-more Temple Church of Windsor. Visitation Sunday, January 8, 2017 from 4 pm to 8 pm. Arrangements by Gilliam Memorial Mortuary, Inc..

WINDSOR — **Meta Darlene Gilliam**, died on January 2, 2017. Funeral Sunday, January 8, 2017 at 3 p.m., at Bazemoré Temple Church, Windsor. Visitation 4-8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017, Gilliam Memorial Mortuary, Inc. Arrangements by Gilliam Memorial Mortuary, Inc.

DURHAM — **Mary Langford Bryant**, 98, died on Saturday, December 31, 2016. Funeral Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 11:00 am, at Second Baptist Potecasi Church in Potecasi. Arrangements by Wilder's Funeral Home of Rich Square.

AHOSKIE — **Walter Lee Lassiter**, 50, died on December 30, 2016. Funeral Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 11 a.m., at Wilder's Funeral Home Chapel, Aulander. Arrangements by Wilder's Funeral Home, Inc., Aulander.

CONWAY — **Maggie Bottoms Lloyd**, 65, died on Wednesday, January 4, 2017. Funeral Monday, January 9, 2017 at 2:00 pm, at First Baptist Church in Severn. Arrangements by Wilder's Funeral Home, Inc. of Rich Square.

DURHAM — **Mary Langford Bryant**, 98, died on December 31, 2016. Funeral Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 11 a.m., at Second Baptist Potecasi Church, Potecasi. Arrangements by Wilder's Funeral Home, Rich Square.

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Deadline is Monday by 10 a.m.

## Out&amp;About

## Out and About

Out and About lists current events sponsored by nonprofit groups in Bertie County. Please send listings to the Bertie Ledger-Advance at P.O. Box 69, Windsor, NC, 27983, bring them by the office at 109 South King St., fax them to (252) 794-2835 or e-mail them to [lbeachboard@ncweeklies.com](mailto:lbeachboard@ncweeklies.com). All event listings must be submitted by 10 a.m. each Monday.

## January 12

The town of Windsor Commissioners meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 12 at the Windsor Town Hall.

## January 14

Martin Community College Continuing Education Program will offer a concealed carry handgun class from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14 and 21 in Bertie County. The fee for the class is \$70 and students are required to bring handgun and 50 rounds of ammunition, as well as eye and ear protection. For more information or to register, contact Leslie Bond at 252-789-0248 or via email at [lbond@martincc.edu](mailto:lbond@martincc.edu).

Bertie, Hertford, and Northampton Counties are currently taking registrations for their 4-H Livestock Show and Sale, which will be held on June 14, 2017 at the livestock arena in Murfreesboro, NC. Youth between the ages of 5 and 18 are invited to show a lamb, goat, steer, heifer, or pig. Early registration (\$25) is due by Monday, January 9, 2017. Late Registration is due by March 6th 2017. For more information, please contact the Bertie (252-794-5317), Hertford (252-358-7822), or Northampton (252-534-2711) County Extension Office.

## January 15

The Ahoskie Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will celebrate the 38th Annual Tribute to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15 at Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Lewiston Woodville. The theme for the program is "Hate Cannot Drive Out Hate-Only Love Can." The guest speaker for the occasion is Eddie Buffalo, Chief of Police for Elizabeth City. Everyone is invited to attend this special event.

## January 17

The Bertie County Commissioners meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17 at the Powellsville Municipal Building.

## January 21

JUBILEE DAY: The Bertie County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is holding its Annual Jubilee Day Celebration at noon, on Saturday, Jan. 21, at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, 1612 Woodard Rd., Windsor. For more information, contact Rev. Kennedy Barber, NAACP Branch President at 252-320-1264, or Program Chair Anne Carney at (631) 664-4262.

## January 24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and the news media that the Bertie County Board of Education meeting previously scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2017, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2017 due to the inclement weather. The meeting will begin with closed session at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Office Complex, 715 US Hwy 13 N, Windsor, NC 27983. The first item on the agenda will be in closed session for confidential personnel matters pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a) (6) and G.S. 115C-319. The open session portion of the meeting will begin at 6:30p.m. The board will convene the meeting in the boardroom of the new Central Office Complex (former Bertie High School). The public is encouraged to attend.

This notice is provided in accordance with the North Carolina Public Meetings Law N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-318.10(b).

## February 16

Vidant Bertie Hospital will host the Women's Heart Health event at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16. The event will be located at the Cashie Heritage Convention Center in Windsor. The keynote speaker will be Zonya Foco.

## Ongoing

Bertie County now has an official Facebook page. Please "like" and "share" the page below: [www.facebook.com/bertiecounty](http://www.facebook.com/bertiecounty). The page will be used to distribute important flood recovery information, as well as notify citizens of upcoming county events, inclement weather information, etc.

REUNION: The Williamston High School Class of 1977 is nearing its 40-year reunion. Several class members are trying to locate former 1977 graduates. If you would like to be included, contact one of the following people: Lou Ann Van Landingham at 252-809-9205, or email [lavan@ncweeklies.com](mailto:lavan@ncweeklies.com); Cheryl Lee Herring at [cherring@gmail.com](mailto:cherring@gmail.com); or Kim Shope at [kshope@earthlink.net](mailto:kshope@earthlink.net). If you are a family member of a classmate that has moved away, please call or email their contact information. Help us get the word out to our classmates near and far!

CARDIO CLASSES: Williamston Parks and Recreation is offering an adult cardio class at the Old Williamston Middle School Gym. The class is from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. The instructor is Quan Simmons and is \$2 per class (pay daily.) Call 702-7042 for more information.

SCAVENGER HUNT: Downtown Williamston is offering a scavenger hunt to win a Downtown Williamston T-shirt and coupon pack. Pick up a participant guide from Town Hall or print it from [www.Facebook.com/WilliamstonDowntown](http://www.Facebook.com/WilliamstonDowntown), then visit each of the 12 participating downtown businesses, answer the questions provided and have an employee sign their square. Return the completed sheet to Jamie at Town Hall or scan and email to [williamstondowntown@yahoo.com](mailto:williamstondowntown@yahoo.com) with your mailing address and T-shirt size (S-XXL) to receive your T-shirt and coupon pack.