

Harriett Epps

Praying for the Boone family. Mr. Boone was a special man. He was a great teacher, mentor, coach & dad. Yes, he was strict but underneath that toughness was smiles and laughter. I have great memories of you. Your presence & impact in my life will be forever. Love you....

Patrilla Carson

Sending my condolences to the Boone Family. I have so many memories of this great teacher at Westside. Rest in Peace Mr. Boone. Rest in Peace!

Leon Boone

Love You Uncle.. Gonna miss our talks about sports, old times, family and just laughs all together. I know you are ok and I Love You Always (your brother Leon).

The Johnsons

Rest Peacefully Uncle Frank.. Love You Always.

(Your sister Lou, Troy & Tamara, Terry, Kim, Klarke & Trace)

Chris Wright

Frank you have been an inspiration to me and the Cerro Gordo family all of my life. You taught us the values of right and wrong when our parents were not around. You taught us the rules and the game of basketball. We all hung out at the shop playing spades ♠ and checkers. Your knowledge and wisdom earned you the respect that you so greatly deserved. Rest In Heaven my friend you will truly be missed.

Jimmy & Barbara Featherson

Condolences to the entire Boone family, Mr. Boone was one of my elementary school teachers at Mt. Olive High. His contributions to the educational community and black community will certainly be missed. May God grant the family peace and comfort as they go through this period of mourning.

Patricia West

Mr. Franklin L. Boone Family has always been close friends and neighbors since our parents were connected in the 1950s! I attended high school and college with the Boone family and will never forget how they looked out for my mother in so many ways before and after my fathers death. To Mrs. Tina Boone who also connected with me in College and all of the Boone Family, I am sorry that I was not available at the last service for the Boone Son (Clarence) that passed or this services for Franklin Boone; however, I will have all of the family in my prayers as they lay Franklin to rest!

-----LOVE YOU ALL, Pat West & Family

Jennifer Johnson Edwards

Mr. Boone was my teacher at Chadbourn Middle school in the mid to late 1980s. I've always looked back fondly about him. However, at the time, we kids were all pretty scared of him. He didn't take any junk but he was fair, kind and very intelligent. I think Mr. Boone made us all sit up a little straighter and we were all the better for it! You will be missed Mr. Boone!

LaShanta Junious

Uncle was one a kind. I think back to the Christmas no one made fruit cake. He enjoyed those fruit cake cookies from the bakery. He said I never had a fruit cake cookie Missy, but these are pretty good! So that meant pick up a few more.

Faye Jeffers (Helms)

Rest easy my friend and you were one of the greatest teachers ever!! You will always be loved and missed my friend!!! Fly high

Denise Maultsby

One of the Best to ever do it! Rest on my favorite teacher!!!

Lisa S. Bellamy

One of the great ones from Chadbourn Middle School (Westside), he will be missed. Prayers for his family, colleagues, former students, church family and friends.

Willie & Elsie F. Alston

Words can't express our feelings. We are praying for you.

Alberta greene

frank you were a good friend to me and I will miss you so much, to the family I am so sorry for the lost of a beautiful and caring person.

Larry and Martha Green

May God bless and comfort each of you. He was a good friend and coworker.

Ida S. Johnson, Durham, NC

Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. To the Boone family: My condolence to you in memory of your loved one. Mr. Boone was a wonderful person and a phenomenal teacher who challenged his students to be their best. His method of teaching really prepared students for the real world! He will be missed and forever remain our hearts. Praying for the family in the days to come

Marie Brown

To: My cousin Tina and the girls so sorry for your loss. Franklin was my teacher at Mt. Olive School. I am praying for all of you. Marie Brown the daughter of the late Terrah Brown, Sr. of Chadbourn-410. May God be with you all.

Elder Smithie Vashti Inman-Holmes

TO THE BOONE FAMILY

Please accept my deepest sympathy for the passing of your loved one. His legacy in the areas education and public service to the citizens of Columbus County will last through eternity. Praying that God's caring, comforting presence will surround you and your family. Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know that they are happy.

Ryan Featherson

I pray that God will comfort and keep the family. I remember my seventh grade year Mr. Boone allowed me and Warren Mccelland to try out late for the basketball team . But there was one condition. Warren and I had to play each other because he only had one uniform left. Needless to say, Warren won the game and I started crying. I can remember Mr Boone exact words Dag Bum Featherson.....stop all that crying.....you on the team . That was one of my happiest moments at CMS. Mr. Boone taught me some valuable lessons with that situation. (1.) Never wait until the last minute to do something. (2.) Always take on any challenge and (3.) Every lost is not a lost. We may have loss Mr. Boone in the flesh, but he left us with so many memories and tools for life. Rest In Peace Mr. Boone

Irwin Love

Small Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Franklin Leroy Boone by Irwin Love. With my sincere condolences...May the love from your family bring everlasting joy to your hearts in your darkest hours. Ilove

Columbus County Health Department

To the family of Mr. Franklin L. Boone. please know that you have our sincerest condolences. Mr. Boone served on the Board of Health for many years with a passion and integrity for the health and well being of the citizens of this county. He will surely be missed; but his drive and commitment will live on through many of the decisions he helped the Board to make for the betterment of the citizens of Columbus County.

Patricia Bellamy

Mr. Boone, I Love you. My Sunday school partner at Mount Tabor Church. We shared a lot of laughs so that brings it down to having a lot of memories. Thank you for sharing my friendship, my love and my compassion. To a very special friend, Mr. Frank Boone, you will surely be missed. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal. Sleep peacefully, my friend.

Acknowledgement

On behalf of the Boone Family We are so grateful for all acts of kindness and all the love you have shown. Even during COVID you all showed up. What a blessing. We thank you for the prayers, food, visits, Facebook posts, flowers ~ everything. It meant so much to us.

Thank you!

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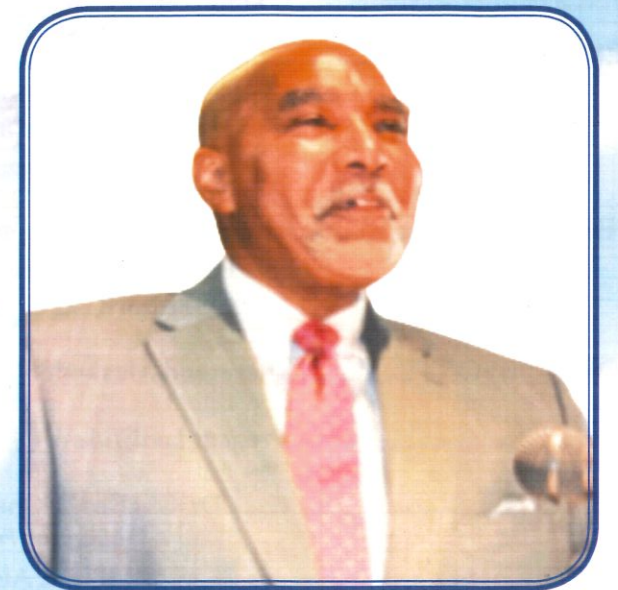
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Celebration OF LIFE

Franklin L. Boone



Sunrise
July 22, 1941

Sunset
January 27, 2022

Monday, January 31, 2022
1:00 PM

Reverend Sandra Carter, *Officiant*
Reverend Maria Laceywell, *Eulogist*

Order of Service

Obituary

PRELUDE.....	Reverend Kendall Thomas
CALL TO WORSHIP.....	Reverend Sandra Carter
INVOCATION.....	Mount Hebron A.M.E.Z. Church <i>Hallsboro, N.C.</i>
HYMN.....	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>
SCRIPTURES	
OLD TESTAMENT.....	Psalm 27 Dr. Thomas Southerland <i>Mount Tabor Baptist Church Cerro Gordo, N.C.</i>
NEW TESTAMENT.....	I Thessalonians 4:13-18 Reverend Jesse Peacock <i>Retired A.M.E.C. Pastor</i>
PRAYER OF COMFORT.....	Reverend Alexander Jones
HYMN.....	<i>Precious Lord Take My Hand</i>
REFLECTIONS.....	Dr. Charles D. Cherry <i>Life long Friend</i> Willie R. Alston <i>Coworker/ Friend</i> Charles Williams <i>Student</i> Joan Robinson <i>Church Member</i> Carvin Keith Gerald <i>Mount Tabor Baptist Church</i>
SOLO.....	Harold Boone <i>Drinking From My Saucer</i>
EULOGY.....	Reverend Maria Lacewell <i>Mount Zion A.M.E. Zion Elizabethtown, N.C.</i>

Franklin L. Boone was born on July 22, 1941, to Reno and Catherine Boone. Although he was the 3rd child born, he was the "chosen" child in the family of 9. He was affectionately known as "Uncle". As a child he loved to play in the swamps, even though he could not swim. He wanted to be a cowboy and enjoyed playing with his childhood friends. While he enjoyed playing as children do his first love was reading. His siblings often wondered if they had a "perfect" brother. As children they wondered "did he ever do anything wrong?" Even as a child he encouraged his siblings to see the best in people as he was non-judgmental and kind.

As an avid reader Franklin understood the assignment as a young black male growing in the society. He understood society's rules and the more he read the more determined he was to become a teacher. He accomplished a lifelong goal of becoming an educator. He often remarked that he had certain choices he could make and that he chose to be a teacher.

Knowing at a young age his chosen profession a young Franklin excelled in school. He was a smart dedicated, respectful student. He focused on his grades and was encouraged by peers to join the basketball team. After high school he attended Elizabeth City State University on an academic scholarship. He studied education and became a member of Kappa Alpha Psi, Fraternity. Upon graduation he quickly gained employment in Pasquotank County. The next year applied to and accepted a teaching position in Columbus County.

During his third year of teaching, he attended a workshop that would change his life forever. He met the love of his life, a young charismatic talkative 1st year 1st day teacher Earnestine "Tiney" Ford. As the saying goes opposites attract. For these two Franklin & Tiney it was love at first sight. This quiet, young, handsome, good smelling well dressed gentleman was smitten with the young talkative, flirty, well dressed Tiney Ford. Their romance was a sweet love story in which he proposed on Christmas day the December before their July 26 wedding. The wedding was a high-class affair with the gentleman Franklin dressed in tuxedo tails and a beautiful white boutonniere. He kept their wedding album in a special place. He cherished his life with his wife Tiney. He could not live without her and Tiney was with him as he transitioned, holding his hand until his body was cold. Their love lives on and will never die as their marriage produced two daughters Frankye and Camille (Millie). Franklin was the original girl dad as he doted on his girls and was a complete pushover. His daddy mode was loving, sweet, proud, encouraging, protective, responsible, funny, understanding, present, smart, handsome and honestly too many accolades to name. He has a son and although he was not raised in Cerro Gordo, they shared a bond through sports. Franklin attended all Dedric's sports games throughout high school. He is proud of his son.

Franklin has five grandchildren. His oldest grandchild is Raven she lives in the house. They are best buds. They share the same humor, love of reading, and basic personality. Jordan is his sweet baby and nurse. There wasn't anything that Papa asked Jordan that she was not happy to do.

He is the best Papa to Raven and Jordan. He shares a love of sports with his grandchildren who are student athletes, Cera (Volleyball), Dedric II (Basketball), Drake (Basketball), Jordan (Cheer). His legacy will live on through them.

In addition to being a family man, Franklin was also a devout Christian man who lived by the values he learned from his Bible studies. Mount Hebron A.M.E. Zion Church was his church home throughout his entire life where he served many roles. He served as Pastor's Steward, sang on the male choir, was a Trustee Board member & Sunday School teacher to name a few. He was punctual and prepared for church. On most Sundays he drove 22 miles to church. Some Sundays he remained in Cerro Gordo and went to church at Mount Tabor Baptist Church. On the days prior to church, he could be observed reading his lessons and Bible commentary. He was as serious student regarding the Bible, and he believed in the Lord. He relied upon his church teachings to give back to his community. He was role model and father figure to several people in the surrounding areas. He refereed basketball and softball recreational games. He was a member of the bowling league where he won scoring awards. He loaned money, gave away good clothes and taught more than one boy how to be a man.

Teaching was his calling. As a black man he knew his presence was necessary. He considered it an honor to impart wisdom onto the minds of the youth. He held high standards, he was a subject matter expert and he expected you to learn with deliberateness and pride. "Neat and Legible" was his motto. He loved his students, and the feeling was mutual. As a testament to this truth students from his first class to his last continued to call him or drop by the home he shared with his family until his transition. He also has several good teacher friends from his time teaching.

To know Franklin was to love him. We have all experienced a great lost. Specifically, he leaves to mourn his passing: wife, Earnestine "Tiney", children Frankye (Cleo), Trina (Sarita), and Dedrick, (Cherice), siblings Robert, Betty (Clarence), Blondell, Brenda, and Harold (Sharon), grandchildren Raven, Cera, Dedrick II, Drake and Jordan along with a host of nieces and nephews.

He was a gentleman, very professional, humble unique individual with a special personality who protected his family. He will be truly missed by his loving wife and children. He will live on in the hearts and minds of countless family members, community members, former students, coworkers and friends.



Wife

Mr. Frank,
I'll love you FOREVER. I'll love you ALWAYS. As long as I'm living my HUSBAND, you'll be.
Love, Tiney

Sonja Gause-Leach

Papa Boone,
You have been the epitome of a great husband, father, papa, friend and mentor. Thank you for loving me as if I was your own daughter. I will always remember the fear that you put in us with that loving smile and playful way that you had. I have so many special memories that I will cherish forever. You will truly be missed.