



Anne Edwards Fuller

October 25, 1948 - June 18, 2014

Ms. Anne Edwards Fuller, 65, of Greensboro, NC passed away Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at home under the care of Hospice and Palliative Care of Greensboro.

Anne was born on October 25, 1948, in Spartanburg, SC to the late Sam John Edwards and Marcelle Greenway Edwards.

Anne graduated from Boyden High School in Salisbury, NC in 1966. She attended The University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG) from 1966 – 1970 and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. She later attended The University of North Carolina at Charlotte (UNCC) and earned her Masters of Education in Counseling. She taught English and Math for 20+ years at several different high schools across the state as well as at Salisbury Business College. Her dedication, expertise, and love of her students and peers was cherished and admired by many. She was elected to serve on the Rowan-Salisbury Board of Education, serving as the Chairman of the Instruction and Curriculum Committee from 1983-1989, as Vice-Chairman of the interim school board, and as Chairman from 1990-1993. She was recognized by the board for twelve years of leadership and service to children as a board member.

After leaving education, she continued her service of helping others through Human Resource work at Food Lion, Inc. She earned her Certification in Human Resources in 1995, became a Certified Employee Assistance Professional in 2000, and earned her Senior Professional Certification in

Human Resources in 2001. While at Food Lion she was the Management Development Administrator in the Department of Organizational Development, Behavior Risk Manager, and Employee Assistance Program Developer and Manager. During this time she was recognized for outstanding work and leadership by Food Lion.

Anne had many accomplishments and served her community in a variety of ways. She was awarded the Juanita Bryant Citizenship Award (which is a state-wide award) and Outstanding Young Woman of the Year in 1977 by the Salisbury Junior Woman's Club. She was an appointed member of the Rowan County Personnel Commission, President of Salisbury Jr. Women's Club, Chairman of the Rowan Partnership for Children, President of the Board of Directors at the Friendship House, member of the Rowan Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Hospice Volunteer, and City-Wide PTA President. She also served in ministry as Chairman on the Council of Ministry, Personnel Committee Member, Trustee, Youth Leader, Sunday School Department Director, and choir member. Anne's most recent membership was at Lawndale Baptist Church in Greensboro, NC.

Anne fought a long, courageous battle with Lupus and many additional autoimmune illnesses. For over twenty years, she fought with dignity and grace, courage and optimism, always with a smile on her face. She was truly a fighter until the end and was admired by her friends and family.

Preceding her in death were her father, Sam John Edwards, mother, Marcelle Greenway Edwards, and brother, Sam John Edwards, Jr. Those left to cherish her memory are daughters Katharine Fuller Rhinehart and husband Gary of Tega Cay, S.C. and Carol Anne Earnhardt and husband Chuck of Greensboro, NC; sisters Jane E. Crenshaw and husband Jim of North Myrtle Beach S.C., Nancy E. Fortenbery and husband Dave of Charlotte, N.C., and sister-in-law Jenny P. Edwards of Columbia, S.C. Grandchildren Brooks and Brandon Rhinehart, Will and Natalie Earnhardt; nephews Ben Parry, Andy, John, and Sam Fortenbery; nieces Anna Jackson, Julie and Samantha Edwards; and many lifelong cherished friends are also surviving.

Visitation and Services: A memorial service will be held at 1:30pm on Monday, June 23, 2014 at First Baptist Church of Salisbury, NC. The family will receive friends at the First Ministry Center, 220 North Fulton Street, Salisbury, NC 28144 following the service. The family will hold a private burial at Rowan Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorials: Memorials may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of Greensboro at 2500 Summit Avenue, Greensboro, NC 27405; Lupus Foundation, 4530 Park Road, Suite 302, Charlotte, NC 28209, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **23**. 1:30 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Salisbury
223 N. Fulton St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Visitation

JUN **23**. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

YO

“ I send my deepest condolences to the family and friends of Mrs. Fuller. Although I don't know the family personally, I'd like to offer some consolation from God's Word, the Bible. John 5:28, 29 speaks of our loved ones being resurrected, and living in the future conditions described at Revelation 21:4, which reads: "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain by anymore. The former things have passed away." I pray that the promise of this beautiful resurrection gives you all hope for the future and peace of mind now!

Yolanda - June 30, 2014 at 06:20 PM

KM

“ Kate & family,

I am just heartbroken for the loss of your mother - I know how much you loved her and cared for her. She was such a lovely woman - very kind and always smiling. I enjoyed the dinners we had together and the time we all went bowling. I especially enjoyed watching her watch the kids bowl - she truly loved her grandsons!

I'm sure she passed knowing how much you have done for her and was thankful to have such loving daughters. Hoping you find comfort in knowing that so many people love you and are thinking about you during this very difficult time.

*Love,
The Mankins*

Karen Mankin - June 27, 2014 at 07:43 PM

EC

“ Carol Ann & family,

*Deepest sympathy to each of you. Anne was exceptional in every way she served the children and citizens of Salisbury. Her legacy will live on. Our family loved her dearly. Find comfort, peace, and joy in your memories. With many prayers and much love,
Libby Carlton*



Elizabeth (Libby) Carlton - June 24, 2014 at 03:40 PM

DH

“ Nancy, Dave, John, Andy and Sam plus family,
Stan and I are praying for you this am and in the days to come. Anne's smile warms me but now there are no aches and pains to accompany the warmth and caring she exudes. Total joy and praise and peace belong to her, but with you we share your loss for one so dear. May God's presence fill you with hope as you recall stories in laughter and tears. We are thankful to know you because the faith and strength you carry must be family trait--power from God whose understanding is not ours but Who keeps us close.
Much love
Donna and Stan

Donna and Stan Heiser - June 23, 2014 at 07:29 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Anne Edwards Fuller.



June 21, 2014 at 11:37 AM

FR

“ My Sweet Anne....you deeply touched my life and left your imprint on it....for this I am grateful and blessed. My Life Journey Group Buddy and Pal and our fabulous girl chats during hair appointments. We laughed and cried together many times. We certainly tried to solve the worlds problems and we had some great ideas. Thank you for being wonderful amazing you and for bringing your beautiful girls into the world to touch our lives. I love you and I miss you so very much. You were so brave and courageous and always smiling. You inspired me and so many others. I love you dear friend and I miss you. Fran

Fran Rinehuls - June 20, 2014 at 08:41 PM

FM

“ Dear Carol Ann and family, I am so sorry for your loss, your mother was such a beautiful person and though I only spoke with her a couple of times, I really liked her and could tell what a kind person she was. Will continue praying for you all. May god heal the ache in your hearts. Love and Prayers. Faye Murphy

Faye Murphy - June 20, 2014 at 10:01 AM



“ Carol Ann, you and your family are in my prayers. May God give you peace and comfort.

Shane Daniels - June 20, 2014 at 12:43 AM