



## Barbara Joanne Thompson Link

September 8, 1933 - February 27, 2023

Barbara Joanne Thompson Link, 89, of Salisbury, passed away Monday February 27, 2023 at the Novant Health Glenn A. Kiser Hospice House. Barbara was born on September 8, 1933 in Rowan County to the late Everette Thompson and Mae Cauble Thompson. Barbara graduated from Boyden High School in 1951 and from Salisbury Business College. Barbara was the office manager for her husband Bob Link's State Farm Insurance agency. She transitioned to working in the State Farm offices of John Norris and retired with Greg Edds.

Barbara was a longtime member of Milford Hills United Methodist Church in Salisbury where she served on the Staff Parrish, Finance, and Building committees. In addition, she served as Circle Chairman, a member of the Cheer Givers and Friendly Neighborhood Clubs, and was a member of the choir for many years. She served as co-chairman of Share and Care, mentor for confirmation class and was a member of the Eastern Star. Barbara was the recipient of the United Methodist Women's Award in 2003.

She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Bobby Lee Link.

Left to cherish her memory are her sons, Mike Link (Susan) of Salisbury and Scott Link (Torey) of Asheville; five grandchildren, Madison Link Rees (Josh), Elena Link, Alex Link, Griffin Link and Mallory Link; brother-in-law, Charles "Bunny" Link (Carolyn) ; many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 10-11am March 18, 2023 in the Milford Hills United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Celebration of life service will follow at 11am in the Church Sanctuary with Rev. Jim Parsons officiating. Burial will follow at Chestnut Hill Cemetery.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Dr. Chet Amin and staff, the staff at Brookdale Senior Living and hospice nurses for their loving care of Mrs. Link.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Milford Hills United Methodist Church, 1630 Statesville Blvd., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Link family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Chestnut Hill Cemetery

Salisbury, NC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Milford Hills United Methodist Church  
Salisbury, NC

## Celebration of Life

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Milford Hills United Methodist Church  
Salisbury, NC

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ Mike and Scott, your mother touched the hearts of many. I enjoyed our conversations. She was beautiful inside and out. Her smile was contagious. Praying God wraps His loving arms around each of you and your loving family. Prayers for peace, comfort and healing.  
Mary Melchor Smith



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**Mary Melchor Smith** - March 24, 2023 at 09:14 AM

DK

“ It has been a pleasure knowing Barbara as Mamoo for the past 25 years. She was always a sweet kind and funny grandmother. Sending my deepest sympathies to all her family. Praying you all find comfort knowing Barbara is in heaven celebrating with the Lord and Pa. Sending love, thoughts and prayers to the Link family.

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**Denise Kropf** - March 16, 2023 at 12:17 PM

KG

“ Ken Danette Granberry lit a candle in memory of Barbara Joanne Link



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**Ken & Danette Granberry** - March 14, 2023 at 02:50 PM

BG

“ *Bonnie Goodson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Joanne Link*



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**Bonnie Goodson** - March 13, 2023 at 11:49 PM

CR

“ *Barbara has been a friend for years. We went to school with Mike and have lots of wonderful childhood memories. Barbara was so thoughtful and always had a sweet smile and kind words to say . She will be missed by many . Love and prayers to the family!!*  
*Hayes and Cindy Russell*

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**Cindy Russell** - March 04, 2023 at 12:41 PM

JL

“ *Barbara was a wonderful friend and mentor. She shared words of wisdom she gained from her experiences with raising Mike and Scott. One of her words of wisdom that has continually stuck with me is “When your kids invite you to do something, gladly accept their invitation...even if I need to reschedule something else.” I have followed her advice and it has enriched my relationship with the kids and their families. What a gift Barbara was.*

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**Joan Leatherman** - March 03, 2023 at 10:31 PM