



Mr. Bruce C. Rogers Sr.

June 3, 1908 - July 26, 2013

Bruce C. Rogers, Sr., age 105, of Salisbury passed away peacefully, Friday, July 26, at Carillon Assisted Living.

Formerly of Charlotte, Mr. Rogers was born June 3, 1908 in Columbia, SC the son of the late Arthur M. and Stella S. Rogers. Mr. Rogers moved to Charlotte as a youth and worked part time for The Charlotte Observer. After graduating from Central High School, he was employed full time with the Observer, working his way through the ranks to become Circulation Manager. When the Observer took over the evening paper, The Charlotte News, he became Director of Circulation for both papers, retiring after 47 years. He was an active member of The Mid-Atlantic Circulation Managers Association and served as president in 1955. After retiring, he was named honorary member of this association and also, The International Circulation Managers Association.

In Charlotte, Mr. Rogers was an active member of Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church. After moving to Salisbury, he joined First Baptist Church and was a member of the Whitehead Sunday School Class. Being an avid golfer, he played and walked the course at McCanless Golf Course three times a week until he was 98.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Mary Wise Rogers, and a granddaughter, Mary Lynn Carter. Also, four brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

He is survived by a daughter Betty R. Carter (Henry) and a son Bruce C. Rogers, Jr. (Susan) and five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

A celebration of Bruce's life will be held at First Baptist Church, 223 N. Fulton St., Salisbury. Visitation at 10:00 AM Wednesday in the parlor and the funeral will follow at 11:00 AM in the chapel. A private burial will be at Sharon Memorial Park in Charlotte. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 223 N. Fulton St., Salisbury, NC 28144; or Hospice of Rowan County, 720 Grove St., Salisbury, NC 28144. Summersett Funeral Home is assisting the Rogers family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Service

JUL 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DR

“ Bruce-So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. I know you had an exceptional relationship and were fortunate with the years you had with your dad. Sorry I can not be at the funeral but will keep your family in my thoughts. David Roueche

David Roueche - July 30, 2013 at 09:08 PM

AK

To the Rogers Family: My dad, Bill Greenland, played golf with your dad for quite a few years. Your dad continued to take my dad to McCanless and played with him even after my dad got dementia, and he served as a pall bearer at my dad's funeral. My dad bragged all the time about his golfing buddy who was 92 years old, and he had the greatest respect for your dad. My aunt got to know him at Carillon (across the hall) and it sounds like he was as much a favorite there as he was everywhere else. I'm very sorry for your loss, and I feel privileged to have known him, if only through my dad. May all your happy memories bring you comfort.

Anne Greenland Kennedy - August 11, 2013 at 06:02 PM

BK

“ Betty & Bruce. So sorry to read of your Dad's death. You know that he was one of my special people. I remember playing golf with him and he would always walk us younger guys under the table. Please know that Jerri and I will surely have you in our prayers.
So sorry that we will miss the funeral. Love to you both, Bud & Jerri

Buddy King - July 29, 2013 at 10:26 AM