



Cecil Thomas Lewis, Jr.

February 19, 1933 - June 7, 2021

Cecil Thomas (Tommy) Lewis, Jr., 88, of Salisbury, NC passed away Monday, June 7, 2021 at his residence.

Tommy was born February 19, 1933 in Danville, VA to the late Rebecca Simpson Lewis and Cecil Thomas Lewis, Sr. He was a graduate of Henderson High School in Henderson, NC in 1951 and NC State University with a BS in Zoology in 1958. Tommy volunteered for service in the US Navy during the Korean War and served in combat on the USS Essex, an aircraft carrier from 1952 through 1956. He worked for the state of North Carolina for more than 30 years culminating his career as the Chief Juvenile Court Counselor for the 9th Judicial Court District.

Preceding him in death was his sister, Barbara Lewis Elliott.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 51 years Martha Sue Carlton Lewis; son, Cecil Thomas Lewis, III and his wife Susan of Oxford, NC and daughter, LuAnn Lewis Lessman and her husband Brent of Stevensville, MD. Also surviving him are his grandchildren: Rebecca Lessman Altomari, Annie Lessman, Aaron Lewis Russell and Dan Lewis and six great-grandchildren. Also a big part of his life were his wife Sue's family, the Carltons and Lamperts.

Over the course of his life, he lived on every imaginable body of water including ponds, lakes and the Atlantic Ocean. Tommy was famous for his story-telling ability, never happier than when he was sitting on his back porch at High Rock Lake with his family telling stories of his fishing tales, his days in

the Navy, and his love for all things NC State. He especially loved telling stories of the antics of his youth with his dear friends.

Tommy was truly loved and will be greatly missed.

The family will hold a private memorial service with Rev. Dr. Mark Conforti and Rev. Steve Haines officiating.

Memorial contributions can be made to The V Foundation for Cancer Research.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Tommy was a great fellow. He always was pleasant and funny and helpful. He made a friend with everyone he ever met, and he kind, compassionate, understanding, and great company. I have missed him and Sue ever since they left Henderson many years ago, and I am truly sorry to hear of his death. He made practicing law fun.
Jerry Stainback

Jerry Stainback - June 14, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cecil Thomas Lewis, Jr..



June 12, 2021 at 02:11 PM

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“ One of the most fascinating individuals I've had the pleasure of meeting. In the short time I got to spend with him, his stories quickly topped my list of favorites. His unfiltered joy lives on. 'Til we meet again, Pop.

Anthony Altomari - June 11, 2021 at 08:31 PM

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Thanks, Anthony. He instantly loved you and we will all miss him so much.

Sue C Lewis - June 12, 2021 at 11:39 AM



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luann lessman - June 10, 2021 at 07:44 PM