



## Charles Wesley Rivers

May 26, 1940 - February 6, 2026

Charles Wesley Rivers, 85, of Salisbury, passed away on Friday, February 6, 2026, at Novant Health Presbyterian Medical Center. He was born on May 26, 1940, the son of the late James Wesley Rivers and the late Della Breland Rivers. He was educated in the Salisbury City Schools and graduated from Boyden High School. Charles worked as a Polyester Filament Technician at Fiber Industries for 30 years until his retirement. He was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church and the Spencer Moose Lodge #2019.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Michael R. Rivers.

Those left to cherish his memory are his sons, Timothy Paul Rivers, James Lee Rivers and daughter Tammy Rivers, all of Salisbury; grandson Wesley Blake Rivers of Salisbury; and sister, Cynthia B. Shoaf of Cary, NC.

A memorial service to celebrate Charles's life will be held on Friday, February 20, 2026 at 2:00pm in the Summersett Memorial Chapel.

Online condolences may be left at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Rivers family.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **20**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall

VJ

“ Virginia J. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Charles Wesley Rivers.



Virginia J. - February 16 at 04:32 PM

VJ

“ Virginia J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Wesley Rivers.

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SL

“ Stan and Molly Lanier purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Charles Wesley Rivers.



Stan and Molly Lanier - February 11 at 01:05 PM

MR

“ A dance partner, a carpenter, a friend, a country gentleman-- and above all, a devoted father. Charles loved his children fiercely and proudly. So grateful for the time we shared

Mary Peggy Rose - February 10 at 02:46 AM

JK

“ He was a great friend and saw him dancing alot what he liked to do, he will be missed so much 😭

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**Jimmy Ketchie** - February 09 at 06:27 PM

MR

“ Mary R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Wesley Rivers.

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**Mary R.** - February 08 at 02:04 PM