



Clifford Wilson Kerr

August 28, 1935 - November 19, 2024

Clifford Wilson Kerr, age 89, passed away peacefully on November 19, 2024, at Novant Medical Center in Salisbury, NC.

Born on August 28, 1935, Clifford, affectionately known to many as Cliff, led a life marked by a vibrant involvement in his community and a passion for the simple pleasures in life. Cliff served honorably in the Army for two years, a period during which he dedicated himself to his duties and embraced the discipline and camaraderie that military life afforded. After his service, he returned to civilian life and carved out a successful career, eventually retiring as the General Manager of Spencer Steel Supply Company.

Education played a significant role in Cliff's early years, having attended Mt Ulla High School where he not only excelled academically but also left a lasting mark as a basketball star. His record for the most points scored in a single game stood as a beacon of his athletic prowess for many years.

Cliff was a man of faith, actively involved in Bethel United Methodist Church in Salisbury. His commitment to his faith and community was paralleled by his enthusiasm for civic engagement. He was an active member and officer in several organizations including the Elks, Moose, American Legion, and the 40&8 Club. Outside of his organizational commitments, Cliff was known as a lifelong "river rat" who cherished his time boating and fishing on High Rock Lake and at the coast. His personal life was enriched by his beloved family and friends.

Cliff was preceded in death by his parents, Minnie Belk Kerr and John Roy

Kerr; his wife, Betsy Iddings Morgan Kerr; his grandson, Christopher Todd Morgan; his daughter-in-law, Anna Morgan; and his nine siblings.

He is survived by his son, Kevin Kerr (Tonya); stepsons, Sam Morgan (Sherry) and David Morgan; grandchildren, Austin Kerr, Abby Farmer (Adam), Drew Morgan (Crystal), Bill Morgan (Chalonize), Chip West, and Lauren West; and great-grandchildren, Cameron, Ethan, Harley, and Holly Morgan and special friend, Nancy Watson Bigger.

Cliff was a man who enjoyed a good glass of bourbon, a cheap cigar, cheering on his favorite sports teams, and cherished moments with friends shagging on a dance floor at Myrtle Beach.

Despite his love for social gatherings, Cliff requested that no services be held following his passing.

In lieu of flowers or donations, the family requests that all who knew Cliff honor his memory by living life to the fullest, just as he did.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Sending our condolences 🌸🌸🌸🌸

chalonize morgan - December 11, 2025 at 03:54 PM

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“ Very sad to just learn of Cliff's passing. He was a great friend of mine and a mentor to me during our time working together at Union Corrugating Company. We continued to be great friends after he retired and kept in contact by phone over the years. We had so many good times and laughs together during our working years at company sales meetings. Cliff was always the ring leader of the good times. I am sure glad I was one of his friends and will continue to celebrate his life until I take my last breath. Rest In Peace dear friend.

Stuart S Lawler - August 17, 2025 at 07:42 PM

WF

“ I always considered him as family (Godfather). Our families were always close and I visited the lake often. I can't thank him enough for always being tough on me as my name growing up around him and Betsy was that "little shit"! RIP Cliff... celebrating your life as you requested!

Wm Fuller - November 24, 2024 at 08:59 PM

WA

“ I just saw in the Salisbury Post about the death of Cliff. Wayne and I are heartbroken. We have been lake neighbors for so many years and we will surely miss him. Kevin, Tonya and family, please know we are thinking of you and we surely send our condolences.

Wayne & Patti Allman - November 21, 2024 at 07:06 PM

SR

“ I’m remembering all of the fun times at High Rock in the ‘60s.
“Ski-Queen”

Shelia Riddle - November 19, 2024 at 02:19 PM