



## David Roy Bookout Jr.

February 1, 1952 - August 13, 2023

David Roy Bookout, Jr. went to live with Jesus on Sunday, August 13, 2023. David was born on February 1, 1952 in Charlotte, NC to the late D. Roy Bookout and Sarah Jane New Bookout. David was the older brother to Carol Bookout Bidly.

David graduated from Salisbury High School in 1970 and joined the Navy for service of four years (1970-1974) during the Vietnam era. He served aboard the USS Semmes as a machinist mate and traveled the North and South Atlantic and the Mediterranean. After his marriage in 1972 to Melanie Jetton he attended CPCC and UNCC and worked at Reynolds Metals as a purchaser and parts inventory specialist. Next, he chose to follow two dreams. The first to be self-employed as a used car dealer in North Mecklenburg and then to be part of the NASCAR racing community by working as the parts and inventory specialist to Hendrick Motorsports (Levi Garrett team), Heintz Performance (parts specialist to Winston Cup and Busch Grand National teams), Hutcherson Pagan Enterprises (parts specialist to all race team enthusiasts), Richard Petty Driving Experience, Central High Performance, and Advance Auto Parts.

David is predeceased by his parents, D. Roy Bookout and Jane New Bookout. Left to cherish his memory is Melanie, his wife of 51 years, his daughter Katie Bookout Hudson (Brent), sister Carol Bookout Bidly (Don) and nephews Jonathan Bidly, Joshua Jetton (Nikki), Jeremy Jetton (Karis), other great nephews and a great niece.

David will be remembered for his determination to follow his dreams and to always take care of his family – even with health issues through the years. He had a good and giving heart for those he loved.

The Bookout family would like to extend their gratitude to Summersett Funeral Home and especially Dr. Fillmore and staff at Presbyterian Main Neuro ICU.

A graveside celebration of life service will be held on Saturday, August 19, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. at Bethel Presbyterian Church, Cornelius, NC.

Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

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

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG **19**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Presbyterian Church  
19920 Bethel Church Rd  
Cornelius, NC 28031  
(704) 892-0546

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ Dear Melanie, I am so sorry that David has died- sad for you and your children. I always wished that I had been closer to all of my cousins and their families. My prayers are with you and your family as you experience life with without David. Love to you from Jean Bookout Dougherty. Oldest daughter of Arthur and Pelham Bookout

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**Jean Bookout Dougherty** - August 22, 2023 at 04:54 PM

MB

Thank you for your kind words and shared memories. ❤️ melanie

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**Melanie bookout** - September 26, 2023 at 01:37 PM

LJ

“ Love in Him, Dave and Jane purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of David Roy Bookout Jr..



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**Love in Him, Dave and Jane** - August 17, 2023 at 06:49 PM

LJ

“ Love in Him, Dave and Jane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Roy Bookout Jr..

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**Love in Him, Dave and Jane** - August 17, 2023 at 06:49 PM

AB

“ Dear Melanie, I remember David only as a child, a cousin whom I saw at Thanksgiving reunions at our grandparents’ house in Shelby. As a “yankee” Bookout (I am a daughter of AR Jr. and Pelham Bookout) time and distance limited contact with the extended family. Even so, my heart is with you as you deal with the loss of David. Anne Bookout (in Pennsylvania).

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**Anne Bookout** - August 15, 2023 at 05:53 PM

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*Thank you, Anne. M*

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**MJ Bookout** - August 16, 2023 at 08:36 AM