



## Mr. Dennis DeWitt Butler

September 14, 1952 - May 9, 2014

Mr. Dennis D. Butler, 61, of Salisbury passed away surrounded by his wife and children on, Friday, May 9, 2014 at his home.

Dennis was born September 14, 1952 in Augusta, GA to the late Roberta Dellinger Butler and DeWitt Jefferson Butler. He was a graduate of Salisbury High School in 1970, received his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice in 1974 from UNCC, and received his Master's degree in Guidance and Counseling in 1976 from UNCC.

Dennis worked for the Department of Justice as a Federal Probation Officer in NC until his retirement in 2009, he then worked part-time at the YMCA.

He was a lifelong member of Milford Hills Baptist Church; he was a Deacon of the church and also caretaker of the church. Dennis was a true family man.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Sarah Ray Butler whom he married May 15, 1976, three sons: Matthew Butler and wife Emily of Salisbury, Adam Butler of Charlotte, Andrew Butler of Raleigh, one daughter Amber Middleswarth and husband Doug of Denver, NC. Also left to cherish his memories are his three precious grandchildren Allie and Lylah Middleswarth, and Bodie Butler.

Visitation and service: Visitation will be held 4-5 PM Tuesday (May 13) at Milford Hills Baptist Church and a Celebration of Life service will be at 5 PM Tuesday at Milford Hills Baptist Church with the Dr. Bruce Beck officiating.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Milford Hills Baptist Church, 1238 East Colonial Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 13. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Milford Hills Baptist Church  
1238 E. Colonial Dr.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

## Memorial Service

MAY 13. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

BB

“ I am so sorry to learn of Dennis' passing. I worked with Dennis as his long-distance secretary when he was stationed in Rockingham and I was in Salisbury. Dennis was a very kind man and a true gentleman. I never heard him say an unkind word about anyone. He will surely be missed. May God bless his family and give them peace and comfort at this difficult time.

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**Barbara Buffaloe** - May 14, 2014 at 09:08 AM

TC

“ Dennis was one of the most honest, straightforward, and caring people I have ever met. When one thinks of those who have had the most positive impact in a person's life, for me, Dennis Butler is one of those people. This world is a better place because of him. May God bless his family, and give them comfort and peace. And to Dennis, may God make His loving Face forever shine upon you, my friend.

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**Terry Closner** - May 12, 2014 at 05:14 PM

AB

“ Our hearts were saddened today as we spent Mothers Day together, only to read that another life was taken too soon. Dennis will be missed by many! He was such a proud father, loving them and their biggest fan! He was so blessed to have such a fine family to cherish and love him. Through his family memories will bring tears, joy, as well as laughter. We know memories live on and on! God is in control, always there to see us through!  
Ann Bracey and Keen Bracey

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**Ann Bracey** - May 11, 2014 at 08:57 PM

ZS

“ Hey Sarah and kids, how sad I was to hear about Dennis' death. There will be a tremendous void in your life and in the Salisbury community with his passing. Dennis was one of the finest, most humble, loving men I have ever met. What a legacy he has left, however, in you children. His family and his Lord were certainly the core of his life. He is at peace now, so I pray that our Lord will grant each of you His peace and comfort in this tough time. Take time to grieve and then honor this great man with living your lives as he lived his, for our Lord and for family. Cindy and I are praying for each of you.

May His presence engulf and keep you,  
Zell

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**Zell Setzer** - May 11, 2014 at 07:35 AM