



Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer

July 6, 1930 - February 20, 2021

Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer, 90, of Salisbury passed away Saturday, February 20, 2021 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center. She had the privilege of raising 7 children that she loved deeply.

Born July 6, 1930 in Emmaus, PA, she was the daughter of the late Minnie Victoria Laudenslager Hoffman and Morris Franklin Hoffman.

Mrs. Schaffer graduated from Emmaus High School, Class of 1948, St. Luke's School of Nursing, Bethlehem, PA, Class of 1951, received her Master's in Education from Syracuse University and a degree in Public Health Nursing from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

She was Director of Nursing for the Rowan County Health Department for 25 years before retiring in 1994. Mrs. Schaffer was selected as one of two nurses from North Carolina as a "100 of the Great Nurses" in 2002. She served on the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

A member of Franklin Presbyterian Church, she served as a Church Elder, Past Clerk of the Session, Past Mediator for the Women of the Church, a member of the Church Choir, the Hand Bell Choir, member of Altrusa, the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW, the White Shrine and the LOL Card Group.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Don Clifford Schaffer on September 21, 1998; brothers, Herman Hoffman and Morris Hoffman; sisters, Helen Landis, Francis Landis and Arlene Bittner.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Andrea Billings and husband Dennis Kobes of St. Germaine, WI, Cynthia Billings Roan and husband Bill of Oakland, CA, John Billings and wife Tammy of Fort Walton Beach, FL, Albert Billings and wife Janice of Salisbury, NC, Susan Schaffer Wilkey and husband Russell of Spencer, NC, Ann Elliott and husband Robert of Salisbury, NC, and Carol Schaffer Salisbury, NC; brothers, Howard Hoffman of Cary, NC and Arthur Hoffman and wife Shirley of White Hall, PA; grandchildren, Minetta, Avery, Ryan, Logan, Princess, Jason, Steven, James, Brian, Erica, Kenneth, Thomas, Brandy, Kristen, Misti, Joshua, Amanda, and Ethan; twenty three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 12-1:30 PM Saturday (Feb. 27) at Franklin Presbyterian Church followed by the funeral service at 2 PM with the Rev. John Elam, officiating. Entombment will follow at Rowan Memorial Park Mausoleum. With COVID restrictions, you are asked to please wear a mask and social distance.

Memorials may be made to Franklin Presbyterian Church, 280 Franklin Church Dr., Salisbury, NC 28147 or the University of Michigan School of Nursing, 426 N Ingalls St, Ann Arbor, MI 48109

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

Cemetery Details

Rowan Memorial Park

4125 Franklin Comm Center Rd
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 636-8751

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Franklin Presbyterian Church
280 Franklin Church Dr.
Salisbury, NC 28147

Service

FEB 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TG

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a special patient of mine at the office. Never minded when she would call me on my cell phone after hours or on weekends if she needed anything. I was always there for her. Keeping the family in my thoughts and prayers at this hard time. She will be missed!



Tosha George - February 28, 2021 at 01:31 PM

CB

“ John and I (Bill and Tammy too) couldn't physically make it to Mom's service so we facetimed each other during it. it was really good Just after we hung up, Mom visited me by red light on the ceiling scientifically sunlight was streaming through the window bouncing off a RussellStouver Valentines heart onto the ceiling shortly thereafter rainbow prisms started to dance around the room from the kitchen while I had Dvoraks "New World symphony" playing pretty amazing sign from her I'm hoping this goes through so I can share it with you I feel all of your love thank you daughter Cynthia OK well apparantly the rainbow light show was just for me and I can't share the video



Cynthia Billings-Roan - February 27, 2021 at 06:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer.



February 27, 2021 at 02:20 AM



“ *Deepest sympathies for your loss. Your mom gave me my job at the Health Dept. and I was there for 25 yrs and was able to retire. I will always be grateful for that job because it helped raise my family and everything else that goes with that. She was a very gracious lady and I pray that she is at peace with God. Praying that God will bless and comfort all of you! Madge and Tom Fulton.*

Madge Fulton - February 26, 2021 at 01:21 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer.



February 25, 2021 at 08:50 AM



“ *She was an extraordinary and a wonderful Aunt. She will be missed.*

Jeanne Hoffman - February 24, 2021 at 12:40 PM

BB

“ Sending my love and heart felt prayers to all of my cousins. At the last family reunion Aunt Evelyn said to me, as she gave me a hug, " We have to make the best of these times together because you never know if it will be our last." And so we did. And so it was. I loved her too! "God be with you till we meet again!" xox Brenda Burkhardt

Brenda Burkhardt - February 24, 2021 at 08:58 AM

RO

Brenda Burkhardt, I was singing that song to Aunt Evelyn the other night... She was always full of warm hugs, smiles, and chuckles... She gave advice and helped me through some rough times. She told me that she gave each of us cousins our first baths as newborns. :) I loved her very much... Sending my love to all and keeping you close in thought, heart, and mind... ❤️

Robin (Bittner) Salyards

Robin - February 24, 2021 at 10:31 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer.



February 23, 2021 at 08:19 PM

TR

“ Susan and family,
How sadden I was to learn of the passing of your mother. Please accept my sincerest condolences.
Tangy H. Roseborough

Tangy H. Roseborough - February 23, 2021 at 12:54 PM

LP

“ Evelyn was a beautiful spirit full of the Holy Spirit. She truly loved her family and friends. I enjoyed serving Franklin Presbyterian Church along side of her and the congregation. Our Christmas parties, gift exchanges were a lot of fun. CHILI COOK OFF'S! ALL I can say is she was a very kind person! If we all could try to be more like her, life would be a better place. We will always remember you Precious Evelyn. GOD REST YOUR SOUL! Love Linda and Bob Pearsall

Linda Pearsall - February 23, 2021 at 12:54 PM

BG

“ Bonnie Goodson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Hoffman Schaffer



Bonnie Goodson - February 22, 2021 at 05:50 PM