



Frances "Fran" Amelia Stiller Lawson

December 29, 1944 - May 31, 2022

Frances "Fran" Amelia Stiller Lawson, of Salisbury, NC passed away Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at her home after an extended battle with Alzheimer's dementia. Fran was born December 29, 1944 in Salisbury, NC to the late John Edgar Stiller, who passed away in 1955, when she was eight years old and Grace Johnston Stiller who passed away in 1992. She was a graduate of West Rowan High School Class of 1963 and Salisbury Business College. Fran worked at Food Lion after business college, Fiber-Industries as a billing clerk, where she met Jerry. When they lived in Florence, SC she worked for Manpower and placed herself as secretary for the Athletic Director at Frances Marion College, where she became close friends with women's basketball coach Sylvia Hatchell and was an attendant in her wedding. After returning to Salisbury, Fran found her passion as a Title 1 Reading Tutor with Rowan Salisbury schools.

Fran was Lutheran for her whole life attending several Lutheran Churches as the family moved. A few special churches were St. Mark's Lutheran Church Salisbury where she was baptized and married. She was a founding member of Cross and Crown Lutheran Church in Florence, SC and an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Salisbury, NC for 32 years. She sang in the choir at most all of them.

She was secretary of the Kiwanis Club in Salisbury, NC and pledge of the year at the Beta Psi chapter of Beta Sigma Psi.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Don,

Clyde and Boyce Stiller.

Left to cherish her memories are her husband of 51 years, Jerry J. Lawson; son, Ryan Lawson and wife Amber and their children Abbey and Ben and many special nieces and nephews and their families.

A memorial service will be held at 11 AM Wednesday (June 8) at St. John's Lutheran Church, conducted by Dr. Rhodes Woolly. The family will speak to friends following the service in Peeler Hall at the church.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church, 200 W. Innes St., Salisbury, NC 28144; Salisbury Kiwanis Club through, Friends of Rowan, PO Box 262, Salisbury, NC 28145-0262 and on the memo line put Salisbury Kiwanis and the donation will be doubled; or to Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 1914, Salisbury, NC 28145.

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

Tribute Wall

EM

“ So very sorry to hear of Frances's passing. We went to Hurley Elementary and West Rowan High all 12 years together. We were involved in 4H and participated in singing for a few talent shows. I have such fond memories of Fran and the fun times we had. I pray for your family in your loss. Elaine Poteat McLaughlin

Elaine McLaughlin - June 14, 2022 at 11:10 AM

BH

“ So sorry to hear of Fran's health struggle and passing. She was a sweet person and a wonderful baker! She made the most delicious pound cake! Condolences to Jerry and all her family.

Bernice Hager - June 07, 2022 at 02:59 PM

RL

“ Francis and I attended West Rowan High School together. She was a senior, I was sophomore! She drove the school bus that came closest to my home. I mistakenly registered at West Rowan and should have registered at South Rowan. When I realized my mistake, I decided to just stay at West, and the school let me stay. So, Francis was kind enough to drive me to my house in her car after she finished her bus route. We actually ended up dating for a while that year. She was so kind! Sincere condolences to the family. Rev. Lane Loman

Rev. Lane Loman - June 04, 2022 at 08:25 PM

SB

“ Frances and I have been friends since Hurley Elementary School, and I'm feeling quite a loss right now. For myself, I have a wealth of very fond memories. I wish Jerry and her family peace.

Sylvia Temple Boyd - June 03, 2022 at 06:08 PM

MB

“ So sorry for the death of my cousin Fran. Love and prayers for Jerry, Ryan and family. Love you ❤️

Marsha Beaver - June 03, 2022 at 04:37 PM

GD

“ What a wonderful person Fran was. Went through Hurley School and graduated with her from West Rowan High School. A very sweet and caring person. Prayers for comfort and peace for Jerry and her family.

Gladys Dillon - June 03, 2022 at 01:58 PM

KG

“ Trusting God to comfort you..

Karen Girdler Dot and Harold Goodman - June 03, 2022 at 11:56 AM

SH

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Summersett Funeral Home - June 03, 2022 at 11:10 AM