



George "Frank" Starkey

June 12, 1945 - January 23, 2025

Mr. George Franklin "Frank" Starkey, 79, of Spencer, NC passed away Thursday, January 23, 2025 at his residence.

Born June 12, 1945 in Rowan County, NC he was the son of the late Mary Stiller Starkey.

Frank was a graduate of Boyden High School, class of 1964. He was a proud veteran, serving in the US Army from 1966-1968. He worked for Norfolk Southern as a brakeman and conductor for 32 years until retirement and has been a proud member of the UTU/SMART union for over 50 years. He was a member of Spencer Moose Lodge, Harold B. Jarrett Legion Post #342, AmVets Post #13, and Hudson, Miller, Tatum VFW Post 3006. Frank enjoyed playing billiards with friends, fishing, playing golf, and watching baseball. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and loved spending time with his grandson, Eli.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his wife, Judy Lewis Starkey; grandparents, George A. Stiller and Lottie Stiller.

Those left to cherish his memory are his sons, Bradley Starkey and Brian Starkey (Anna); grandson, Elijah Starkey.

The family will receive friends from 6-8PM, Monday, January 27, 2025 at Summersett Funeral Home.

A graveside service with military honors will be conducted at 2PM, Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at Rowan Memorial Park cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Starkey 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

JAN 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 633-2111
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

Graveside Service

JAN 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Jonathon, Jamie, Hunter, and Riley purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of George "Frank" Starkey.*



Jonathon, Jamie, Hunter, and Riley - January 26, 2025 at 11:17 PM

DT

“ *I don't really have any memories to share related to Frank himself, but just remember that his mom and mine were first cousins and the only ties I had to her childhood family. I was told (by my mom) that there was some falling out in years past between some of the brothers. But Mom and Frankie's Mom were friends and I remember going to their house a few times. My grandfather (Joseph) lived with us. Frankie was also the same age as my brother (Ronald Brown, deceased) and they were friends in school. Anyway, I'm so sorry for your loss & let you know I regret not ever getting to know him*

Debbie Taylor - January 26, 2025 at 06:38 PM



“ *I have known Frank since I joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3006 in late 2008. Frank always treated me very respectfully. As the Commander of the post Frank helped me many times by accepting officer positions as needed. I would like to extend my condolences to his family and extend the hand of the VFW if we can assist them in any way.*

In Remembrance

James Fox, Commander Hudson, Miller, Tatum VFW Post 3006

James Fox - January 25, 2025 at 05:55 PM

PM

“ Frankie was a wonderful cousin and an all-around good human being. He was such a help when my father passed away. And I will always remember that deep voice and wonderful sense of humour. He will be missed.

Patricia Masson
Chapel Hill, NC

Patricia Masson - January 25, 2025 at 01:15 PM

S7

“ SMART Local 783 purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George "Frank" Starkey.



SMART Local 783 - January 25, 2025 at 01:12 PM

JC

“ I knew Frank from high school and being on the baseball team. Always the same friendly person every time I saw him. We along with Harry Evans watched many East Rowan baseball games together. Always sharing information about his grandson. He will truly be missed.

Jay Crane

Jay Crane - January 25, 2025 at 12:04 PM

LM

“ Love, Cousin Pat Masson purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of George "Frank" Starkey.



Love, Cousin Pat Masson - January 25, 2025 at 11:57 AM

WB

“ Frank and Judy were just the most wonderful pair. Frank always was such a great guy. I always considered him as my .brother-in-law..Prayers for the family at this time of grief. but I know that he's now back with the love of his life.I have such good and fond memories of them. But you know I never knew that his first name was George though.. praying for comfort. He will be greatly missed. Just one of a kind ..kind of a guy.



wanda brown - January 25, 2025 at 11:48 AM

RL

“ I knew Frankie ever since we were kids growing up in Salisbury. He always had a smile on his face and was upbeat every time I saw him. We had a lot fun playing baseball, sometime playing on the same team and sometimes not, but regardless he was always the same guy. Frankie will be greatly missed by all who knew him.
Richard Loman, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Richard Loman - January 24, 2025 at 04:39 PM