



George M. Koontz

April 1, 1938 - December 17, 2009

Mr. George M. Koontz, 71, of Salisbury, NC died on Thursday, December 17, 2009. He passed away with family members by his side after a long illness.

Mr. Koontz was born April 1, 1938 in Davidson Co., NC to the late Florence Ragan Koontz and George W. Koontz. He was a graduate of Spencer High School Class of 1957. Mr. Koontz retired from NC Finishing Company. He was a member of First Church of the Nazarene where he was a trustee on the Church Board. Mr. Koontz loved his church and his family.

Surviving Mr. Koontz is his wife of 51 years, Ruth Bailey Koontz; a son: Kevin Koontz and his wife Robyn of Linwood, NC, and a daughter Kathy Smith and her husband Scott of China Grove, NC. Two grandchildren: Calab and Bailey Koontz and a step-grandson Dustin Smith also survive.

The family will receive friends at Summersett Funeral Home from 2-3:00 PM Sunday (Dec. 20). A funeral service will follow at 3:00 PM at Summersett Memorial Chapel, conducted by Rev. Dennis DeLong, Pastor of First Church of the Nazarene. Burial will follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to First Church of Nazarene, Chair Fund, 224 W. 12th St., Salisbury, NC 28144.

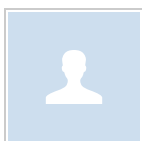
Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Koontz family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ George was the sweetest man I have known. Me and my wife, April, met George Ruth while attending Salisbury Nazarene Church. It was during this time, George became a good friend and good mentor. He always had a smile--and never met a stranger. He could fix anything, from mechanical to woodworking. One time, we were having a homecoming at First Nazarene, and Ruth, George and I were helping in the kitchen, well, one older parishner brought a discounted birthday cake as a dessert. We all checked the date and of course it was well over it's shelf life. Well, I told George jokingly, It's okay--to eat, it'll be good fiber---to which George replied--I do not want to go to the bathroom that bad, Bryan! We each rolled in the floor! I will miss George and every time I hear his song--I'd rather have Jesus--I will think of him-- on second thought, I think that I will make that my favorite song--because of George I like it too! God Bless! The family will be in our prayers###imported-begin##B. J. Norton###imported-end##

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“ Ruth, I just heard about George. I am so sorry for your loss. You and your beautiful family will be in my prayers. Dare###imported-begin##Dare Bailey###imported-end##

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“ My deepest condolences to the entire family at this time of need. My heart and prayers are with you. Sincerly Betty Brinkley Clontz###imported-begin##Betty Brinkley Clontz###imported-end##

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“ Ruth:

So sorry to hear about George. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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“ *I am so sorry to hear about Mr.Koontz passing.I will always remember the fun times Kathy and I had at your home.It was one of my favorite places to be.Please accept my condolences.I know how you are feeling and how your family will never be the same.You will be in my prayers.May God bless you all.*

Love,

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