



## Geraldine "Gerry" Cabell Spencer

March 25, 1928 - March 19, 2017

After a long and fulfilled life, Geraldine "Gerry" Cabell Spencer, 88, died March 19, 2017 at home with her family nearby.

The daughter of the late John Roy and Gay Cherry Cabell, she was born March 25, 1928 in Miami, FL. Moving to Salisbury as a child, she and her identical twin sister Cherry were affectionately known as the "Cabell twins".

Gerry attended Wiley Elementary School and was a member of the Boyden High School class of 1945. She graduated from Catawba College in 1949. She was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church of Salisbury where she faithfully attended the Daisy Hedrick Sunday school class. After working as an administrative assistant in the Rowan County Sherriff's office during Bob Martin's tenure, she worked in the office of the Rowan County Register of Deeds until her retirement in 2004.

No one could have had a more loyal and caring friend than Gerry. She kept in constant contact with her high school classmates. Gerry was known for her optimism and wonderful sense of humor. She was a devoted mother and her grandchildren's beloved "Gigi". Her life centered around her family, friends and church.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her twin sister Cherry

Cabell Coon and her aunt, Carolyn Cherry McCanless. She is survived by her children, John Robert Spencer Jr. and his wife Laura, of Charlotte; and Gay Spencer Newsome and her husband Herbert "Bo", of Rockwell. Her grandchildren are William Spencer Newsome of Salisbury, John Robert Spencer III and James Anderson Spencer of Charlotte.

Services: A memorial service will be conducted at 11 AM Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dr. Mark Conforti officiating. Visitation with the family will immediately follow the service. Mrs. Spencer will be interred the church's columbarium.

Memorials can be made to the First United Methodist Church, 217 S. Church St., Salisbury, NC 28144 or to Rowan Hospice and Palliative Care, 720 Grove St, Salisbury, NC 28144.

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church  
217 S. Church St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall

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“ Gay and John I am so sorry to hear about Gerry she was a very special person was planning on calling her on her birthday . Love and Prayers to you and family  
Carole Graham Pitts



Carole Graham Pitts - March 23, 2017 at 01:08 PM

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“ Mrs.Gay and Mr.John I am sorry about your mom and that I didn't make it to the funeral. I am gald I got to meet your mom, she was a caring, loving, and funny woman. No matter how she felt she could make you laugh. I will keep your family in my prayers.

Nakia Daniels - March 22, 2017 at 11:43 PM

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“ John and Gay,  
We are so sorry for your loss and Gerry will be missed by many people. We loved her sense of humor and upbeat personality. We really enjoyed being with her and she always made us laugh. She was a kind and caring friend to my Mom. Gerry helped her so much when my Dad died and made her difficult days seem brighter. Your Mom was a very special person and it was an honor to know her. Our deepest sympathies are with you at this sad time.  
Vicki Helms Butler

Vicki Butler - March 21, 2017 at 11:43 AM