



## Mr. Grover William Ward

January 23, 1939 - May 6, 2016

Grover William Ward, 77, of Salisbury, passed away Friday May 6, 2016 at Glenn A. Kiser hospice house. Grover was born in Rowan County on January 23, 1939 to William E. and Jewell Ward.

Grover graduated from Churchland High School in 1957. During high school, Grover met Mildred Thomason, and they were married on March 23, 1957 and they spent the last 58 years “as a unit of one” together. Grover “Soda Pop” as he is fondly known by his son, worked for Nehi (RC Cola) in sales for 14 years before moving to Pepsi Cola for 18 years and retiring in 2001. After retiring Grover and Mildred worked in the yard doing gardening and spent time with family and friends, Grover was a very social person. Grover especially loved his church family and loved singing in the choir.

Grover is survived by his loving wife Mildred of the home, daughter; Darlie Simerson and husband Keith of St. Charles, IL, son; Randy Ward and wife Angie of Salisbury, NC. Sister, Jackie Simerson of Davidson County, NC, 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Grover is pre-deceased by his son, Daniel Carl Ward, and parents.

Services will be held Monday May 9, 2016 at 3:00pm at The Arbor (Gay’s Chapel) United Methodist Church with visitation being held from 2:00-3:00pm at the church.

Memorials may be sent to The Arbor United Methodist Church 5545 Woodleaf Rd. Salisbury, NC 28147

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Ward family. Online condolences

and memorial tributes may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 9. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Arbor United Methodist Church  
5545 Woodleaf Road  
Salisbury, NC 28147

## Service

MAY 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RB

“ So sorry for your loss, but I know your faith in the Lord will give you strength.

Roy & Rosa Brooks - May 09, 2016 at 07:56 AM

JS

“ Grover,

*Was always a blessing to be around. Constantly helping folks and always having the compassion of Jesus. We worked together for many years as I was in management with Food Lion. Prayers for all John 14:1-3*

*Pastor Joey Spry*

Joey Spry - May 07, 2016 at 11:45 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Grover William Ward.



May 07, 2016 at 10:59 AM

MF

“ Jackie,  
I was so very sorry to hear of the passing of your brother. I know that he had been sick for quite a while, but it still doesn't make it any easier. You and your family are in my family and have been for some time. May the LORD grant you HIS peace, comfort, joy, and love during this most difficult of times. JESUS promised never to leave us or forsake us. And I know that HIS promises are always true. Take time for yourself, and allow yourself to remember that HE is in a better place. Sorrow may last for a little joy but Joy will come.  
Mary Fillinger

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**Mary Fillinger** - May 06, 2016 at 08:25 PM

CE

“ Randy and Angie, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Chris Earnhardt

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**Chris Earnhardt** - May 06, 2016 at 03:16 PM