



Mr Herbert Calvin Rhodes

December 17, 1932 - January 20, 2016

Mr. Herbert Calvin Rhodes, 83, of Salisbury, NC passed away Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center.

He was born December 17, 1932 in Rowan Co, NC to the late Ethel Agnes Lesley and Homer Lee Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes was a graduate of Salisbury Schools, earned his BA at Catawba College, and earned his Masters and advanced degrees from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He started teaching at Wiley School then moved to Knox Jr. High where he taught Earth Science. Mr. Rhodes also served as Assistant Principal at Knox Jr. High and coached football at Boyden High School with Coach Ludwig. After teaching, he moved into administration where he developed and managed the TV and Arts program. He then finished his career as the Director of Horizons Unlimited Supplementary Education Center.

Mr. Rhodes was a member of First United Church of Christ where he served on the church council as chairman, sang in the choir, was a Sunday school teacher, and served for many ham suppers.

He was a member of the Retired Teachers Association, the Salisbury Civitan and the Rowan County Civitan. Above all, he was a dedicated husband and loving father and a big UNC Tarheel sports fan.

Surviving is his wife Janet Frye Rhodes whom he married on June 10, 1956; son, Michael Wayne Rhodes of Cornelius, NC; daughters, Barbara Rhodes Key of Chester, VA and Linda Susan Rhodes of Mt Pleasant, SC; and close friends, Jim and Shirley Trexler of Salisbury, NC. Also surviving are seven grandchildren: Camellia Lesley Key, Cynthia Diane Key, Stephen "Bo" Cantrell Deas, IV, Catherine Collin Deas, Harrison Calvin Deas, Madison Lee Rhodes and Megan Michelle Rhodes.

The family will receive friends from 11 AM – Noon on Monday, January 25, 2016 at First United Church of Christ. The service will follow at Noon at the church, conducted by Rev. Carol Hallman, Minister of First United Church of Christ and Rev. Tim Trexler of Shelby, NC.

Memorials may be made to First United Church of Christ, c/o "Five Alive" 207 W. Horah St. Salisbury, NC 28144.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 25. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Church of Christ
207 W. Horah St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Service

JAN 25. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was a student at Knox when Mr. Rhodes was the assistant principal. Of course, Knox was a wonderful academic institution then (1962). I really appreciate Mr. Rhodes caring about us and keeping us in line with the discipline that young boys needed then and still need today. We need more administrators like Mr. Rhodes, and I can say that because I am a retired school administrator influenced by Mr. Rhodes.

Thank you Mr. Rhodes for caring and being there for us.

Gordon Correll, Salisbury NC

Gordon Correll - January 23, 2016 at 03:48 PM

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“ "Coach" taught me in the 7th grade at Wiley and was my football and wrestling coach at Boyden. I've always thought the world of him and have enjoyed seeing him over the last 40 years. He was always a steady force in the lives of those of us who played for him. He's always been "Coach" to me and I shall miss him, as will Salisbury.
Clay Burleson

Clay Burleson - January 22, 2016 at 03:51 PM

John
Harvey
Smith

“ *Mr. Rhodes was my Science Teacher at Knox Jr. High School. He ignited my love for science, especially geology. Mr. Rhodes taught me to identify hundreds of rocks and minerals. I am 68 years old now and still love collecting rocks, minerals and digging for gemstones. Every time I go on an outing I think of Mr. Rhodes. He was my hero. GOD has blessed him with a long life and now he is in heaven with our lord. See you soon, Mr. Rhodes. Your Faithful Student, John Harvey Smith.*

John Harvey Smith - January 22, 2016 at 12:48 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr Herbert Calvin Rhodes.*



January 22, 2016 at 09:54 AM



“ *JL and Darla Mitchell purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mr Herbert Calvin Rhodes.*



JL and Darla Mitchell - January 22, 2016 at 08:29 AM