



James Harold Caudill

July 15, 1937 - January 5, 2025

James Harold Caudill, 87, of Salisbury went to his eternal home on January 5, 2025 at his residence with his family by his side. His wish was to remain at home and the family praises God for allowing this to happen.

Harold was born July 15, 1937 to the late Eva Mae and Willie Andrew Caudill of Morehead, Kentucky. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 59 years Freda Campbell Caudill. They were married on October 25, 1958. Also predeceased by his brother Lawrence Caudill and sister Pauline Roberts.

Harold is survived by his children- daughters Debbie Davis of Salisbury, Teresa Hodge (Jack, Jr) of Salisbury and son Andy Caudill (Sabrina) China Grove as well as grandchildren Tucker Osborne (Kendall), McKenna Hare (Jakob) and McGuire Caudill. Also surviving is his sister Sue Johnson sister-in-law Doris Jean Caudill and many nieces and a nephew. A special wink to his niece Diana Vaught for all her phone calls and love expressed to Harold over the years.

Harold instilled his love of hunting, fishing and playing golf into his son and grandsons. There are many memories to be cherished in dove fields, deer blinds and on the 18th hole.

Harold spent his career in agriculture first as an Agricultural Extension Agent

and retired as the Agricultural Extension Chairman for Rowan County. His love for his work and the farmers he served is where he found value in what he did from day to day. His love for agriculture carried him to Armenia where he spent 6 months helping the people learn about agriculture and to make the most of their limited food supply. Harold coached a dairy judging team that advanced to nationals several times. The stories he would tell once they returned home! He was active with the Rowan County Holstein Club for over 40 years having served as District President of the Agricultural Extension Agents. He was also active with the Fair Planning Board.

Harold was proud of his service with Kiwanis where he served as past president and received the Legion of Honor award becoming a lifetime member. A special thank you to Melissa Yates for her support at meetings in helping Harold when he could no longer stand up without assistance.

GARS was a highlight of his retired years where he made lasting friendships which brought him much joy especially when his golf game was not what he had hoped for that day!

Harold was active in Sunday school at Jerusalem Baptist Church and served on various committees there before moving his membership to Cooleemee Baptist Church.

Lastly- but not last to him- Harold was a proud graduate of the University of Kentucky where he earned a Masters Degree in Agriculture. He lived and worked in the dairy barn to put himself through school. Following Kentucky football and basketball filled many Saturday afternoons.

The family wishes to thank Nevada Grubb for her special friendship and Monday Blue Bay outings with Dad. The love and attention provided by his faithful caregiver Linda Swing will never be forgotten and could never be

repaid. Because of her and Alex Swing his wish to remain at home was possible.

The family will receive friends from 5-7 PM Wednesday (Jan 8) at Summersett Funeral Home. The funeral service will be held at 11 AM Thursday (Jan 9) in Summersett Memorial Chapel.

Graveside service to follow on January 23, at 11 AM in Morehead, Kentucky at the Caudill Family Cemetery. Gray Funeral Home will be assisting the Caudill family.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Graveside Service

JAN 23. 11:00 AM.

Caudill Family Cemetery
Morehead, KY

Tribute Wall



“ *Summersett Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Harold Caudill*



Summersett Funeral Home and Cremation Center - January 08, 2025 at 08:35 AM

BW

My prayers are with you all. Your dad hired me fresh out of college and I moved 31/2 hours from everybody I knew to be a 4-H Agent. I always felt like he looked out for me and I am grateful for all I learned from him. He introduced me to my husband and he is always part of our story when people asked how we met. We was so proud of his family and I know you will miss him tremendously.

Bobbi Bryant Williams - January 08, 2025 at 07:48 PM

DW

“ *Many prayers of peace are given in remembrance of such a beautiful soul. He always knew how to get a smile out of us and I hope we did the same for him. In loving memory of our wonderful friend.*

Dr J. and Staff, The Way to Wellness - January 08, 2025 at 08:23 PM

SL

“ *Debbie, Teresa, and Andy,*

My prayers and thoughts are with this family at this difficult time. May my condolences bring you comfort and may my prayers ease the pain for your loss. The video is absolutely beautiful.
Susan Lippard

Susan Lippard - January 08, 2025 at 01:47 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Harold Caudill.*



January 08, 2025 at 11:16 AM

SR

“ *Blessings to Debbie, Teresa and Andy! We were at our Uncle Bob Weast's funeral where we were told your Dad passed away. Thanks to the caregivers who helped him stay at home. Harold was a great man. I can see his smile and hear his laugh.*
Suzanne Nolley Rhinehart

Suzanne Rhinehart - January 07, 2025 at 09:03 PM

PK

“ *I went to church with Harold at Jerusalem for many years. He was a good man. He will be missed. RIP. Pat Karnes*

Pat Karnes - January 07, 2025 at 05:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Harold Caudill.



January 07, 2025 at 03:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Harold Caudill.

January 07, 2025 at 03:21 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Harold Caudill.



January 07, 2025 at 03:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Harold Caudill.

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Harold Caudill.



January 07, 2025 at 02:31 PM



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