



## James Donald "Sarge" Linder

December 1, 1934 - December 15, 2016

James Donald (Sarge) Linder, age 82, of Salisbury passed away Thursday, December 15, 2016 at the North Carolina State Veterans Home.

Mr. Linder was born December 1, 1934 in Rowan County the son of the late Nora Hartman Linder and Lewis Linder. He was a 1955 graduate of Boyden High School and was a Veteran of the US Army.

Sarge worked for the City of Salisbury in the Recreational Department for 32 years and was an official for the North State Football Officials Association for 35 years where he earned their highest honor the Golden Whistle Award. He was also selected to officiate the Shrine Bowl. Sarge was an official for College Baseball and High School and Middle School Football and Basketball. He was a member of the Catawba Chiefs Club and the Coburn Memorial Baptist Church. He loved his grandchildren and teaching his children to play sports.

Preceding him in death in addition to his parents were his brothers Robert Lewis (Lope) Linder and Willis D. (Whit) Linder; sister Hazel Marie Linder. Those left to cherish his memories are his wife of 55 years Nema Jane Goodman Linder whom he married April 21, 1961; daughter Cheryl Linder of Salisbury; son Robert Lewis (Rob) Linder and wife Angela of Salisbury; grandchildren Alexandra and James Linder.

Visitation: 1:30-2:30 PM Saturday, December 17, 2016 at Summersett Funeral Home.

Service: 2:30 PM at Summersett Memorial Chapel conducted by Rev. Franklin

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Memorials: Michael J. Fox for Parkinson's Research, PO Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014 or to Catawba College Chiefs Club, 2300 W. Innes St., Salisbury, NC 28144; Shriners Hospital for Children, 2900 N. Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 17. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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

## Service

DEC 17. 2:30 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

AK

“ I did not have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Linder personally, but I heard my dad, Bill Greenland, speak highly of him many times. My condolences and prayers for your family.

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**Anne Kennedy** - December 19, 2016 at 09:13 PM



“ Nema I'm so sorry for your loss. I remember you talking about him when we worked together at Phil's. May God hold you in his arms and give you Peace.



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**Patti Watkins** - December 19, 2016 at 06:14 PM

ML

“ There are so man stories that involved the best boss I ever had. Sarge's demeanor, kindness, and patience were exactly what I needed as a teenager striving to find my way in the world. He was a role model who truly cared about me as a person. He made a profound impact on my life that I am grateful for and was able to thank him many times over the years. I am thankful to have had him in my life.

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**Mike Lippard** - December 18, 2016 at 11:59 PM



“ Sara Misenheimer lit a candle in memory of James Donald "Sarge" Linder



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**Sara Misenheimer** - December 17, 2016 at 06:10 PM



*Thinking of your family during this difficult time. So sorry for your loss.*

**Sara Misenheimer** - December 17, 2016 at 06:12 PM

MG

“ *Mary W Gorenflo lit a candle in memory of James Donald "Sarge" Linder*



**Mary W Gorenflo** - December 16, 2016 at 11:59 AM

MS

“ *Mr. Linder you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God walk beside you and may you feel his presence in the days to come.*



*A Co-Worker at LMS,  
Murray Sink & Family*

**Murray Sink** - December 16, 2016 at 11:41 AM

SY

“ *Cheryl, our prayers are with you and your family. Sylvia and Patsy*

**sylvia** - December 16, 2016 at 09:15 AM

DD

“ *Just a very good man ... Rob, Cheryl, I'm so sorry for your loss.*

**Dennis Davidson** - December 15, 2016 at 04:37 PM

LA

“ *Lacy Alexander lit a candle in memory of James Donald "Sarge" Linder*



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**Lacy Alexander** - December 15, 2016 at 03:00 PM



“ *Cheryl, my girl, I am so sorry. I know what you went through and I'm so sad for you. Prayers that he will be healed and happy for eternity. Prayers for you to have the best memories and recover from the loss.*

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**Deirdre Smith** - December 15, 2016 at 02:44 PM

RC

“ *Robert T. Chillcott lit a candle in memory of James Donald "Sarge" Linder*



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**Robert T. Chillcott** - December 15, 2016 at 02:38 PM

MG

*Cheryl prayers and bright white angels through this time in need for you and your family.*

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**Mary W Gorenflo** - December 16, 2016 at 11:55 AM