



Jean Helms Wooten

April 12, 1927 - May 11, 2019

Jean Helms Wooten, 92, of Eden, formerly of Salisbury, passed away Saturday, May 11, 2019 at UNC Rockingham, Eden.

Born April 12, 1927 in Waxhaw, she was the daughter of the late Maude McManus Helms and Houston Henry Helms.

Educated in the Waxhaw schools and received a degree in Early Childhood Education from Wilkes Community College.

As a single woman, she owned a beauty salon in Waxhaw, she was a hospital unit secretary Annie Penn Hospital in Reidsville, and a teachers aid at Bethany School for special needs children in Rockingham County.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Eden, and was a former member of the First Baptist Church of Salisbury, and taught Sunbeams Bible School. Mrs. Wooten was a member of the NC State Troopers Ladies Auxiliary.

Mrs. Wooten made Chrismons for Christmas trees at the First Baptist Church of Monroe and Wilkesboro. Mrs. Wooten won many awards for her floral arrangements in Monroe. She could play the piano by ear.

She faced many physical losses and endured leukemia in later life. Through all her struggles she maintained a beautiful attitude that will continue to be an example to those that loved her and provided medical care for her. Most important to Jean was her faith in Christ. She loved to watch hummingbirds feed and eating Butterfingers with her great-grandsons. Mrs. Wooten was a true southern lady whose light will continue to shine in the hearts of her family and friends.

Jean particularly loved all her brothers and sisters, eight in total, she had a deep lasting love for her children and grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Eugene "Dick" Wooten on August 6, 2015, brothers, Luther E. Helms, Clegg Helms; sister, Faye Grace Bragg.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Dick Donovan Wooten and wife Gayle Walters Wooten of Westfield, Steven Houston Wooten and wife Nan Bowman Wooten of Liberty; daughter, Angela Wooten Vincent and husband Tim of Eden and with whom she made her home; brothers, Henry Houston "Skee" Helms of Mooresville, William Coy Helms and wife Bobbie of Greenville, SC, Johnny Elbert Helms and wife Doris of Waxhaw; sisters, Sarah Helms Jones and husband John of Chesterfield, SC, Zell Helms Emory of Ft. Mill, SC; grandchildren: Maria Dee Wooten of Greensboro, Elizabeth Kaye Wooten of Liberty, Joshua Steven Wooten and wife Allison Leigh Wooten of Chapel Hill, Eric Jason Vincent and fiancé' Logan Fulton of Eden, Erin Vincent Smith and husband Bobby of Mooresville; great-grandchildren, Ezekiel Smith and Connor Vincent; and special friends, Frances Hunley, Sandy Morrison, Maxine Ray , Ruth Edwards and Gladys Stevens, Jackie Sims Maye.

The family will receive friends from 9-10 AM Thursday (May 16) at Summersett Funeral Home followed by a funeral service at 10 AM at Summersett Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Craig Bowman, minister of the First Baptist Church of Eden. Interment will follow at the Salisbury VA National Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Eden Missions, 533 Greenwood St. Eden, NC 27288.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Service

MAY 16. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

BB

“ *Angela I was so sorry to hear about your mom. I know how much she meant to you and she will be missed.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss.*

Bob and Mary Bennett

Bob Bennett - May 16, 2019 at 08:25 AM

KC

“ *I learned to know Jean when I became the wife of a Highway Patrol Trooper. She was the epitome of a gracious Southern lady and a role model. No matter what small thing we did for her or Dick she would be baking us a cake. She will be remembered. My thoughts and prayers are with her family at this sad time.*

Kay Coley

Kay P. Coley - May 15, 2019 at 11:25 PM

AH

“ Dear Wooten Family,

I was sad to read of your loss of Jean, but happy for her as she is with her Savior, husband , and dear sister Faye. I was blessed to know both Jean and Faye and loved their sweet, loving spirits. My mother was a member of The King's Daughters Sunday School Class that Jean so ably taught. My mother loved to hear Jean teach and she made Mother feel so accepted and welcome when Mother moved to Salisbury and joined First Baptist. I know Jean will be missed by all whose lives she touched.

*God bless,
Ann Heard
Marion, NC
formerly of Salisbury*

Ann Heard - May 13, 2019 at 12:44 PM

ER

“ *Grandma - I loved when I got to visit you when I was young. The kids had a special drawer with treats and you would fill them with new goodies and games every time we came. I loved to see the hummingbirds with you and put stickers all over the windows and bathtub. You where a strong Christian woman and I hope to live up to that. Love Erin*

Erin - May 12, 2019 at 10:31 PM

ZE

ERIN, you were so special to your grandmother. She love you dearly and the two special little great grandsons you gave her. Connor Brought new life to her, we never had a conversation that she didn't tell me something he had done or said. Then Zeke came along. So happy that she had that special time with them. My sister was a dear lady and loved the Lord. She set an example for all of us. Now she is at rest and enjoying the rewards of her new home

One day we will join her in that new home.

Zell Emory - May 13, 2019 at 09:40 PM