



Rev. John Lawrence "Larry" Ayers

February 10, 1923 - February 13, 2016

Rev. John Lawrence "Larry" Ayers, 93, of Salisbury, passed away February 13, 2016. Larry was born on February 10, 1923 in Sargodha, India to missionaries Ralph E. and Mary E. Ayers. At the age of 4 Larry and his family moved from India back to the United States and he grew up in Pittsburgh, PA and graduated from New Concord Union High School, New Concord, OH. After graduation Larry attended Muskingum College where he met Catherine Dean and they were married for 43 years until her passing in 1989. Larry attended Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary and after graduation, he served churches in Pennsylvania, Ohio and North Carolina. After his retirement in 1987, Larry moved to Spencer and attended Spencer Presbyterian Church for many years. Larry met Rosie Bollinger and was married in September 2006. Larry loved woodworking and model railroading. He was active in the Lions Club, and participated in many other events in the community.

Larry is survived by his wife Rosie of the home; son, William J. Ayers of Lake City, Iowa; daughters, Jeanne Sapir of Bedford, OH, Barbara Sheppard and husband Dennis of Hope Mills, NC and Susan Arnsperger and husband Bobby of Arden, NC; stepsons, Claude Wyatt and wife Tammy of Faith NC, Thomas Wyatt and wife Mary of Hilton Head, SC; sisters, Mary Hamilton of New Concord, Ohio, Margaret Parsley of Xenia, OH, 8 grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services will be on Wednesday February 17, 2016 at 1:00pm at Spencer

Presbyterian Church with a reception following the service. Ministers officiating the service are Rev. Dr. Barrie Kirby and Rev. Dr. Dennis Sheppard. The Ayers family has chosen to have a private family burial. In lieu of flowers memorials can be given to Spencer Presbyterian Church PO Box 4 Spencer, NC 28159, Rowan Helping Ministries P.O. Box 4026 Salisbury, NC 28145 and Meals on Wheels of Rowan Inc. PO Box 1914 Salisbury, NC 28145.

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“ *Our thoughts, prayers, sympathy and Christian love are extended to your whole family. Shalom, David and Cindy Wade, Wilmington, NC*



Rev. David C. Wade - February 15, 2016 at 06:13 PM