



John Clark Dry

April 4, 1921 - February 12, 2010

John Clark Dry, 88 of Salisbury passed away Friday, February 12, 2010 at Genesis Healthcare.

Born April 4, 1921 in Rowan County, he was the son of the late Jones A. and Nancy Louise Horah Dry.

Mr. Dry was educated in the Granite Quarry schools and Electrical School with Southern Railway.

He was an electrician for Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad for 43 years before retiring.

A member of Dunn's Mountain Baptist Church where he served on the Board of Deacons and was presented with the Lifetime Deacons Award. He served as Sunday School Superintendent and Secretary, Church Trustee, and was on the Usher staff. One of the original volunteers of the NC Transportation Museum where he served on the Board of Directors and was named Director Emeritus from the State of North Carolina Executive Department and served on a train crew. He was a member of the Granite Quarry Civitan Club, was a Civitan Medallion Member for 25 years of service and received the Foundation Fellow Award. He supported all Civitan projects and programs, and he was happiest at the NC Transportation Museum and when he was farming.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Digh Dry on Feb. 25, 2007; sisters, Mildred D. Klutz, Frances D. Fink, Peggy D. Cooke, and a brother, Roy H. Dry

Survivors include his daughters, Nancy D. Alexander and Judy D. (Rick) Kepley of Salisbury, Sharon D. (Kailash) Gaggar of Spartanburg, SC; brother, Bobby J. Dry of Mableton, GA; grandchildren, Kevin (April) Alexander, Greg (Debby) Alexander, Keely (Jamie) Troutman, Melanie Trexler, Richmond (Angie) Trexler, Natasha Gaggar, Rebecca (Toby) Bigelow, Glenda (Sam) Hightower; 15 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 AM – Monday at Dunn's Mountain Baptist Church with Rev. Dr. Kenneth Lance, minister of the First Baptist Church of Salisbury officiating. Mr. Dry will lie in state 30 minutes before the service. Interment will follow at Dunn's Mountain Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6-8:00 PM Sunday at the Summersett Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to NC Transportation Museum Foundation, 411 S. Salisbury Ave., Spencer, NC 28159 or the Foundation Fellow Award, c/o Granite Quarry Civitan Club, PO Box 501, Granite Quarry, NC 28072

Tribute Wall



“ Nancy, Judy, and Sharon we are sorry that we cannot be with you at this time. We are happy that John is joyfully free of all suffering. We have happy memories of time spent with him. Chinese food with him and Evelyn became a tradition whenever we visited Salisbury. He was a brave man, honest and without guile, and we shall hold him in our memories with love. Please know, too, that this little aunt, who was an aunt the day she was born and so feels more like a friend, loves you and cares about you across the geographical distance. Please accept as symbolic this image of the narcissus, which survives always as a vital bulb hidden in the rich earth, even when invisible to our eyes.##imported-begin##June and Grady Vaughan##imported-end##

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“ Sorry to hear of Jonn's passing I enjoyed working with him at Spencer. He taught me a lot during our working days in the RH. My prayers are with the family'
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