



Leon Sloan Bradshaw

July 17, 1917 - June 27, 2010

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Leon Sloan Bradshaw, husband of the late Eleanor Churchill Hoey Bradshaw, died Sunday, June 27, 2010 at his home in Salisbury.

Mr. Bradshaw was born July 17, 1917 in Salisbury, NC to Leonidas Sloan and Henrietta Kestler Bradshaw. He attended Boyden High School in Salisbury and graduated from The Citadel in Charleston, SC in 1938, where he was a member of the Summerall Guards drill team. After graduation, he joined the firm of L.S. Bradshaw General Contractors, est 1898, alongside his father, Leonidas and brother, Richard Allen. He met his true love, Eleanor, in Shelby and married her there on December 6, 1941.

Mr. Bradshaw went on to serve 4 years in active duty as Lt Colonel and 18 years in the reserves. "Brad" and Eleanor made their home in Salisbury after World War II, and he purchased the family business in 1963, changing the name to L.S. Bradshaw Real Estate.

Mr. Bradshaw was a vibrant member of the Salisbury and Blowing Rock communities, a respected leader, and the consummate southern gentleman. He was also a passionate golfer, an avid traveler and a driven businessman. Alongside his lovely wife, Brad delighted in opening his home to friends,

family, visiting church members and new acquaintances. He was also a devoted attendant and member of the First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury since 1929.

Mr. Bradshaw's indelible contributions include a significant influence on the building and development of Salisbury businesses, schools and facilities, as well community organizations. In the First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, he was an elected Deacon, an elected Elder, Superintendent of Sunday Schools and member of the Building Committee. He was also a summer member of Blowing Rock Methodist Interdenominational Church, where he was on the church Board. Mr. Bradshaw was President of Salisbury Country Club and the Blowing Rock Country Club. He also served as President of the Kiwanis Club, Lt. Gov of Kiwanis, member of the Citadel Alumni Board, Co-Chairman of the YMCA Building Fund, YMCA Board Member, President of Salisbury Community Foundation and Chairman of the Edgar Tufts Memorial Assoc.

Mr. Bradshaw was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Eleanor Churchill Hoey Bradshaw. He is survived by three children, daughter Eleanor Churchill Bradshaw Thompson (husband, Simon), son Christopher Sloan Bradshaw (wife, Renee) and daughter Ashley Alexander Bradshaw Shoaf (husband, Bays); grandchildren Douglas Thompson, Courtney Thompson, Brandon Thompson, Stuart Bradshaw, and Harris Lambert; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial Services will be held 11 AM Wednesday June 30, 2010, First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury with the Rev. Dr. Jim Dunkin, Rev. Randy Kirby, and Dr. Hal Warlick officiating.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian, Rowan Helping Ministries, and Grandfather Home for Children.

Summersett Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Ashley, Chris, Churchill and family,
I was saddened to hear of Brad's death. He and your Mother were such wonderful people who we cherished. Their presence will be missed, but they showed many how to be the ultimate Southern Gentlemen and lady. Love and deepest sympathy to each of you.
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“ Chris, we were so sorry to hear about the death of your father. I did not know him but to have raised a son like you I am sure he was a fine man. Please accept our sympathy and Gods blessings at this sad time. Barbara Cassano and The Girls at the Styling Edge Salon.###imported-begin###Barbara Cassano###imported-end##

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“ we're so sorry to hear of the passing of Leon. he was a wonderful gentlemen who always was so cordial and was a true statesman. he will certainly be missed.###imported-begin###Pam and Hodge Coffield###imported-end##

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“ I am so saddened to learn of Brad's passing. He was a great friend of my dad, Paul E. Phillippi, whom I lost in June 1994.###imported-begin###Steve Phillippi###imported-end##

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