



Margaret Ruth Carper

July 12, 1936 - April 7, 2019

Margaret Ruth Carper, 82, of Woodleaf NC passed from her earthly home on April 7, 2019 at Novant Health Glenn A. Kiser Hospice House, Salisbury, NC.

Born July 12, 1936 in Spencer, West Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Laco Simmons and Dale Montgomery Simmons.

She was a graduate of Spencer High School, Spencer West Virginia and attended the Charleston School of Commerce, Charleston, West Virginia. Before her children were born, she was a legal secretary for the Koontz & Koontz law firm in Charleston, West Virginia. After her children were born, she completely devoted the rest of her life to being a full-time mother and homemaker.

During her lifetime she served as administrative assistant for various churches as well as the Greater Cleveland Baptist Association, Cleveland, Ohio. She also served as Accounts Payable clerk for the Salisbury/Rowan Community Service Council. Most recently, she enjoyed immensely her volunteer work at the Novant-Rowan Regional Medical Center in the Surgical Family Support Center as well as other positions where needed.

She was an intense advocate and supporter of her family, children, and grandchildren whom she loved with an un-ending and un-conditional love and

devotion. She was always present at school programs, PTA and Band Booster meetings. Her Blueberry Cheesecake, Peach Cobbler and cookies were legendary.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her infant son, Ronald Clifton Carper; Brother Bill Simmons, wife Erma Lou; sister Justine (Tootie) Smith, husband Charles; sister Betty Conley, husband Bob; brother Edwin Simmons, wife Wanda; brother Edsel Simmons, wife Iris; brother Robert Simmons, wife Mary.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Darrell Carper at home; daughter, Linda Carper of Cleveland, Ohio; daughter Joi Chapman, husband Michael of Sarasota Florida; daughter Sandra Keels, husband Mark of Nebo, North Carolina; grandson Joshua Henry, wife Star of Imlay City Michigan; granddaughter Rachael Johnson, husband Kevin of Brooklyn, New York; granddaughter Leah Henry of Sarasota Florida.

There will be a memorial service on Wednesday April 10, 2019 at 11:00 AM, at Milford Hills Baptist Church, Salisbury, NC.

Visitation will be prior to the service from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the church.

Burial: There will be a brief graveside service at the Amma Cemetery, Amma, West Virginia on Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 2:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Novant Rowan Medical Center Auxiliary, Salisbury, NC.

Summerset Funeral Home is serving the Carper family. Online condolences may be left at www.summersetfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Amma Cemetery

Amma, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Milford Hills Baptist Church
1238 E. Colonial Dr.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Memorial Service

APR 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Milford Hills Baptist Church
1238 E. Colonial Dr.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Graveside Service

APR 20. 2:00 PM (ET)

Amma Cemetery
Amma, WV

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Uncle Darrell, Linda, Joi, and Sandy,
I was saddened to hear of Aunt Ruth's passing. I remember your visits to Laco & Dale's when we were all carefree children. I know your grief is heavy upon you at this time, and it is of little solace to know that this time comes for all of us.
We pray that you will find the strength as time passes to remember the good times and to keep your wife and Mother in your hearts always.

With our love and prayers,
Mike & Jan Smith
213 Cromwell Rd.
Knoxville, TN 37923
865-805-2970 (Mike or Michael)

Mike Smith - April 16, 2019 at 12:35 PM

CM

“ I enjoyed know Ms. Ruth when she worked in the finance department of Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc. She was always happy and enjoyed meeting and making friends. I will miss her but know we will meet again on the other side.

Carole Morrison - April 15, 2019 at 04:29 PM

CC

“ *Lyn and I are saddened to hear about Ruth's passing. She was a truly a special person who made a difference in the lives of so many. We will miss her at our Spencer High reunions.*

Please accept our sincere sympathy on your loss.

Charles and Lyn Coe

Charles Coe - April 12, 2019 at 05:03 PM

WH

“ *Very sorry of Ruth's passing but she just made the journey before me seemed she was always first in everything concerning me. A very special and dear forever friend. Prayers for Darrell and family to have strength and remember all the good times. Ruth you will be missed but we will see you soon. Save me a seat beside you in God's choir.*



Wanda Surface Holland

Wanda Surface Holland - April 10, 2019 at 09:55 AM

MT

“ *Thinking of my mothers (Joan Starcher Hill) first cousin, Darryl, and his family at this sad time. I have contacted a few of the "first" cousins, Lizzy(Liz emailed Steve), Marsha, John, Betsy and passed along the news of Ruths passing with a link to her obit. Sending our love from Spencer, Roane Co., West Virginia.*

Mary Beth (Hill) Titus - April 09, 2019 at 04:06 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Margaret Ruth Carper.*



April 09, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Ruth. You both were great support to both of my parents when they were sick. I can not be with your family during this time. My prayers and thoughts are with you and the girls.*

Joyce Loggans - April 09, 2019 at 01:57 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Wayne George - April 08, 2019 at 09:02 PM



“ *Guy and Char Vaughan purchased the Lovely On e Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Margaret Ruth Carper.*



Guy and Char Vaughan - April 08, 2019 at 01:14 PM