



Mark W. Alexander

November 22, 1952 - January 21, 2018

Mark W. Alexander, 65, of Salisbury, NC, passed away unexpectedly in his home over the weekend. A Pennsylvania native, Mark was born November, 22, 1952 to Jack and Charmaine Alexander. He was a graduate of James Buchanan High School and moved to Salisbury to attend Catawba College in 1970 where he met his wife, Linda (Weaver) Alexander. The two married in 1976 and later had two children, Michael (34) and Madalyn (29), and were pleasantly surprised by a third, Lauren (27), a couple of years later. Mark was an avid reader and historical enthusiast who loved discussing history with everyone. He was a member of the Andrew Jackson Masonic Lodge and an active volunteer with the Historic Salisbury Foundation. His other passions included spending time with his kids, music, hiking, and cleaning. He was overjoyed by the arrival of his first grandson, Avett, who was born this past August. He loved holding him, taking him on walks, and experiencing the wonder of a new life. He was

particularly skilled at creating funny captions for photos of his grandson. Mark was preceded in

death by his parents and is survived by his wife; three children; son-in-law, Kris Dales;

grandson; brother, Gary Alexander (Craig Sencindiver); sister, Kim Dixon (Allen Dixon); nephew,

Sean Bolick and nieces, Anna Gatewood and Julie Odom-Dixon.

In memory of his life, Mark would like you to drink a gin and tonic, go on a hike, and vacuum the carpet.

If you feel so inclined, in lieu of flowers, you can make a donation to the Conservation Trust for North

Carolina 1028 Washington Street Raleigh, NC 27605.

A Celebration of Mark's life will be held Sunday, January 28, 2018 from 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM at Mambo Grill & Tapas 122 E. Fisher Street Salisbury, NC 28144.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Summersett Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Alexander family.

Tribute Wall

LQ

“ I was very sorry see the notice of Mark's passing in the Mercersburg Journal. I've probably not seen Mark since we graduated from high school, but I recall him as a good, and very kind, person. I'm so very sorry for your unexpected loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I can say, by the way, that I accomplished all 3 activities in Mark's memory today.

Linda (Morton) Querry - February 02, 2018 at 08:31 PM

BH

“ I knew Mark in our younger years. We attended church and graduated high school together. We had many classes together. Loved his humor . Prayers for the family. Brad Hoover class of 1970 at JB.

Brad Hoover - February 02, 2018 at 04:05 PM

KH

“ Our thoughts and prayers go to Mark's friends and family. Mark was one of Historic Salisbury Foundation's dedicated volunteers. We appreciated the opportunity to work with Mark and will miss him greatly. Karen Hobson, Historic Salisbury Foundation

Karen Hobson - January 31, 2018 at 09:38 AM

SH

“ We enjoyed taking the Hall House docent class together and appreciate his sense of history. Such a nice, caring person with a great sense of humor.

We will miss him!

*In appreciation of his life,
Sue and Dane Hartgrove*

Sue and Dane Hartgrove - January 28, 2018 at 04:06 PM

BL

“ Linda, so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Barbara Lockert and Cassandra L. Barrier

Barbara Lockert - January 27, 2018 at 02:20 PM

JB

“ My condolences to Mark's family. He was a very fine person. He will be missed.

James Bevels, Hall House docent



James Bevels - January 26, 2018 at 05:02 PM

SG

“ I did not know Mark or his family. but he looked sort of familiar. Having read his obit, I decided I would have liked him!

Sali Gill-Johnson - January 26, 2018 at 02:30 PM

GK

“ We were shocked and saddened to learn of Mark's death. I have good memories of working with him on projects at the Historic Salisbury Foundation, going to a Salisbury Confederate Prison symposium and also working with him as an election official. Kathy and I did have a gin and tonic last night and toasted the memory of Mark. I also have vacuumed our family room rug and, once the weather gets warmer, we will take a hike.
Gene Krueger and Kathleen Dunn

Gene Edward Krueger - January 26, 2018 at 12:18 PM

WI

“ Linda I am without words to express the sadness I feel in Mark's passing. My memory of him is that he was always so laid back and happy and truly loved his family. That makes for a wonderful father and grandfather. Blessings to you and your family.

Dan and Winnie

Winnie - January 26, 2018 at 10:37 AM

FG

“ Mark was a friend to the world spreading joy and happiness to everyone he touched. Our favorite memories will always be of our trips together and his wonderful sense of humor. He will be missed.

Our sincere condolences to you, his family. While we know that you are hurting now, just remember him as the fun loving and gregarious individual that he was and celebrate his life and his memory.

With a gin and tonic in hand, here's to you Mark!

Frank & Diane Goodnight

Frank Goodnight - January 26, 2018 at 09:20 AM

PS

“ We are so sorry to hear about Mark. We have missed seeing your family, at church. We are praying for you all. Love your friends, Mark, Christian, Jonathon, Steven and Patty Shuping

Patty Shuping - January 25, 2018 at 06:57 PM

JL

“ We share in your sadness as we heard about your loss of Mark. Our memories of our time when the Alexander family were our neighbors are happy memories and we always felt you were a dear family. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers during this time of grief.

In view of the comment to "go vacuum the carpet" in memory of Mark I do have something to share although I won't be vacuuming our carpet. I believe just about once a week, maybe more, Mark would be out in front of the house cleaning and vacuuming the car. The kids remark would be "Mr. Alexander is cleaning his car AGAIN". Obviously we didn't keep our vehicle so clean. Anna appreciated the opportunity to babysit your girls. One time she commented, " I was getting ready to make lunch and took out some plates, but before I got the food ready Mr. Alexander had already put the plates back in the cupboard." Indeed, Mark was a neat-nik.

Julie Linhart - January 25, 2018 at 02:52 PM