



Nancy Torrence Lyerly

May 24, 1932 - February 2, 2020

Nancy Torrence Lyerly, 87, of Salisbury died Sunday morning February 2, 2020 at her residence.

She was born in Rowan County on May 24, 1932 to Flo Gabriel and Bert Eugene Torrence. In addition to her parents she was pre-deceased in death by her sons, James Steven Lyerly and David Michael Lyerly, brothers, Paul Torrence and Charles Torrence and sister, Mary Flo T. Suitt.

Mrs. Lyerly was educated in Salisbury Public Schools and graduating from Salisbury Business College, she was hired as one of the earliest employees of North Carolina's then new system of technical institutes and community colleges around 1959/1960. She retired as Comptroller from Rowan Cabarrus Community College after 32 years of service.

In her healthier past, she was active in Episcopal Church Women and volunteered for Meals on Wheels and March of Dimes. She was a talented seamstress, knitter and stained-glass artist. She also enjoyed line dancing at Ruffy-Holmes Senior Center. Most of all, she and Don, her husband of over 64 years enjoyed extensive travel.

Survivors include her husband, James Donald Lyerly, daughter, Dona Lyerly Wilson (Eric) of Hickory, granddaughter, Claire Salisbury (Matt) and great-granddaughter, Arden Salisbury, all of Apex. In addition, she is survived by three nephews, one niece, several cousins, and a host of "all best friends." The family is especially grateful to Patricia Jacobs their family caregiver for over four years.

The family will receive friends from 10:30-11:30 AM Wednesday (Feb. 5) at St. Luke's Episcopal Church with a funeral service following at 11:30 in the church, conducted by The Reverend Robert Black. Burial will follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to Meals on Wheels of Rowan, Inc., PO Box 1914, Salisbury, NC 28145; March of Dimes, 1601 Norwood Rd, Statesville, NC 28677; and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 131 West Council St., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Lyerly family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Rowan Memorial Park

4125 Franklin Comm Center Rd
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 636-8751

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
131 West Council Street
Salisbury, NC 28144

Service

FEB 5. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

EC

“ *Dona, thinking of you and your family at this time. Condolences and love to you!*

Eleanor Cook - February 07, 2020 at 11:00 PM

RT

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Nancy. Prayers of peace go out to her family. Nancy and I worked at Rowan Tech in different areas but we became friends through the local stained glass guild. She and I sold glass at different craft shows in the area as well as out of the area. We had some really good laughs doing this. May she rest in peace.*

Roberta Taylor

Roberta Taylor - February 07, 2020 at 01:44 PM

KW

“ *Dona ... so sorry to hear about your mom. I have great memories of working with her at Rowan Tech back in the late 60's. Please convey my sympathy to your dad. Keep in touch; will be in town later in the month. Hugs. Kitty Wright*

Kitty Wright - February 05, 2020 at 11:38 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Nancy Torrence Lyerly.*



February 04, 2020 at 01:19 PM

GO

“ So sorry to hear this. Nancy was a sweet lady.

Gail Overcash - February 03, 2020 at 07:59 PM

NR

“ Dona and family, I am so sorry. I have some good memories of your mom and dad and know all they did for Charles and Sally.

Nancy Belk Ruby - February 03, 2020 at 06:27 PM