



Ola Ross Rutledge

August 17, 1926 - March 16, 2022

Ola Ross Rutledge, 95, of Salisbury, died March 16, 2022, at Trinity Oaks.

Born August 17, 1926, Beaufort County, Mrs. Rutledge was the daughter of the late Clyde Vernon Ross and Lenore Hicks Ross. She attended Woman's College of the University of North Carolina where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. She married Joseph Graham Rutledge, III, on August 16, 1952.

She is survived by daughters Catherine Rutledge Singer, Raleigh, Anne Rutledge O'Berry and Thomas Otis O'Berry, Winston-Salem, Elizabeth Rutledge Woodson and Paul Bernhardt Woodson, Jr., Salisbury, and Nancy Rutledge Sanders and Thomas Tharpe Sanders, Sr., Winder, GA, and six grandchildren, Catherine Singer Adcox, Greensboro, James Raymond Smith, III, Winston-Salem, Kristin Woodson Harvey, Beaufort, Sidney Sanders Patton, Athens, GA, Joseph Graham Rutledge Smith, Winston-Salem, and Thomas Tharpe Sanders, Jr., Athens, GA, and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years.

Mrs. Rutledge was a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church of Salisbury, where she was a member of the altar guild and church circle. She also served on the Rowan Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board, North Carolina Museum of History Associates Board, and the Board of Rowan

Museum. She volunteered at Rowan Memorial Hospital, Girl Scouts of America, and the Rowan Salisbury School System among others. She was a member of the Le Jeudi and Tea and Topics Book Clubs and an avid bridge player.

A private service will be held for the family.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 217 S Church St, Salisbury, NC 28144.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mothers are very special. May the memories you have made fill your hearts with love. The memories I have growing up across the street are cherished. Our sincere condolences to each of you.*
Brenda Porter Morrison

Brenda Morrison - April 02, 2022 at 08:48 AM

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“ *so sorry for your loss she lived a good long life & i know she is happy to reunite with Joe*



robbie pickrel - March 23, 2022 at 05:07 PM

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“ *Mrs Rutledge and my mother were both members of the Daisy Hendricks Sunday School class at FUMC, and Nancy and I were classmates at Overton ES before my family moved to Virginia. My parents retired back to Salisbury, and my dad still lives there. He let me know of her passing.*
I remember Mrs Rutledge as such a kind, lovely woman, and send my prayers & condolences to the family, especially Nancy.
Margaret Buck Gallagher
Peachtree Corners,GA

Margaret Buck Gallagher - March 20, 2022 at 10:02 AM