



Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt

September 15, 1947 - September 18, 2023

Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt, 76, of Salisbury, passed away September 18, 2023 at her residence.

Born September 15, 1947 in Rowan County, she was the daughter of the late Eva Redwine Williams and Ralph James Williams. She was a 1965 graduate of Thomasville High School and attended Rowan Business College. She worked in operations for Allegiance Brokerage representing Food Lion Stores for 20 years prior to retirement.

Her joys in life revolved around her 9 grandchildren, spending time at the beach and shag dancing. She was a member of the Salisbury Shag Club and First Baptist Church, Salisbury.

Left to cherish her memory are her son, Randy Everette Goins (Rachel) of Cary; daughters, Jamie Goins Yoch (Doug) of Davidson and Holly Goins Kesler (David Hanners) of Chapel Hill; sister, Sondra Williams Stiller (Dennis) of Salisbury; grandchildren, Olivia Kesler, Presley Yoch, Sydney Yoch, Landyn Kesler, Anderson Kesler, Benjamin Rankin, Willow Grace Goins, Luke Goins and Ty Goins; nephew, Scott Stiller (Jennifer); nieces, Keri Perales, Eva Stiller and Chloe Stiller; and great-nephew, Jude Perales and great-niece Milah Perales.

The family will receive friends 10-11 a.m. Saturday (Sept. 30) at Summersett Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. in Summersett Memorial Chapel conducted by Rev. Brian Farmer with burial to follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 633-2111
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

Service

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Tribute Wall



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



September 28, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



September 28, 2023 at 03:22 PM



“ Chae, Mike, Brianna, and Josh purchased the “You Are Loved And In Our Prayers” Comfort Throw for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



Chae, Mike, Brianna, and Josh - September 26, 2023 at 11:05 PM



“ Chae, Mike, Brianna, and Josh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.

Chae, Mike, Brianna, and Josh - September 26, 2023 at 11:05 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



September 25, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.

September 25, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



September 22, 2023 at 01:30 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.



September 20, 2023 at 03:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.

September 20, 2023 at 03:39 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.*



September 20, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.*



September 20, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *Bonnie Williams purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.*



Bonnie Williams - September 20, 2023 at 09:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.*



September 19, 2023 at 08:12 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Olivia "Diane" Williams Merritt.*



September 19, 2023 at 07:03 PM