



## Mr. Oscar Lee "Buddy" Walton

April 11, 1938 - December 18, 2013

Oscar Lee "Buddy" Walton, Jr., 75, of Salisbury passed away Wednesday – Dec. 18, 2013 at the Glenn A. Kiser Hospice House surrounded by family.

Born April 11, 1938 in Spencer, he was the son of the late Katherine Mae Honeycutt Walton and Oscar Lee Walton, Sr.

He was educated in the Spencer schools and graduated from Spencer High School, Class of 1956.

He was employed for the Salisbury Post from 1949-1956, he served in the US Navy from 1956-1962 and returned to the Salisbury Post where he served as City Circulation Manager until he retired in 2001.

He was a member of Oakdale Baptist Church and Enon Baptist Church, was a member of the Spencer Jaycees from 1967-1972, the Spencer Optimist Club from 1980-1985 and the Salisbury Optimist, the Harold B. Jarrett American Legion Post #342, Mid-Atlantic Circulation Managers Association, the Cincinnati Reds Scouting Organization, the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, and the Flotilla Commander with the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

While serving in the US Navy he received a Letter of Commendation from Commander of Fighter Squadron 24 in 1958, Certified Combat Aircrew

Member-1958, Good Conduct Medal in 1960, Presidential Unit Citation-1958 and the China Sea Campaign Medal in 1958.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his sister, Hazel Virginia "Jenny" Hoover in 2000.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Billie Rae Barger Walton; daughter, Mary Walton Sprinkle and husband Cameron; son, Alan Scott Walton and wife Kim; all of Salisbury; sister, Martha Jane Bailey and husband Freddie of Ocean Isle Beach; grandchildren, Brandon Scott Walton, Taylor Nicole Walton, Mackenzie Catherine Sprinkle.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 PM Friday at the Summersett Funeral Home and at other times the family will be at the residence of his son Alan Scott Walton, 203 S. Deerfield Circle, Plantation Ridge.

Funeral services will be conducted 2 PM Saturday (Dec. 21) at the Summersett Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Rick Cockerham, minister of Calvary Baptist Church.

Interment will follow at Oakdale Baptist Church with Military Graveside Rites conducted by the Rowan County Veterans Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made to Rowan Hospice and Palliative Care, 720 Grove Street, Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Oakdale Baptist Church

Charles St.  
Spencer, NC 28159

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

DEC 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ Thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. My you find comfort in your memories



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**debbie and edwin martin** - December 20, 2013 at 03:22 AM

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“ I was a classmate of Buddy's at Spencer High School and knew him well. Like most of the class of 1956 we had grown up together and were like family. It always hurts to lose a family member like Buddy. My prayers go out to his family, I know he will be missed. I will miss him too. Peace and love to you as you honor his life.

*Brownie Brown*

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**"Brownie" Brown** - December 19, 2013 at 09:14 PM

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*Buddy was a wonderful man and I remember him fondly from working in the North Rowan Booster Club with him. My deepest sympathy to the family. It is my prayer that your memories of him will give you peace and comfort along with the knowledge that he is, indeed, in a better place.*

*Shirley Wilks*

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**Shirley Wilks** - December 20, 2013 at 04:46 PM