



Philip Brandon Goodnight

July 6, 2023

Philip Brandon Goodnight, 77, passed away on Thursday, July 6, 2023, unexpectedly after a very late diagnosis of cancer.

Born in Rowan County, NC, he was the son of the late Everette and Marie Gene Goodnight. He graduated from South Rowan High School in 1964, and attended North Carolina State University with a concentration in Architecture until he was drafted during the Vietnam War. He served honorably through two tours in Vietnam in the Navy Seabees before returning home.

He worked diligently for the United States Postal Service for over 30 years, serving his rural route customers until his retirement. He also worked as a skilled carpenter in his community and cared for his late wife, Catherine Clifton Goodnight, until her death in 2020. Philip loved fishing, spending time with his daughters and grandsons, enjoying delicious family meals, and watching Gunsmoke.

Mr. Goodnight was predeceased by his loving wife, Cathy. Left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Elizabeth Goodnight Lapidus of Greenville, SC, and husband, Carey; two grandchildren, Zachary and Cameron Lapidus; Catherine Anne Goodnight Robertson of Rock Hill, SC, and husband, Dan; and his sister Patricia Goodnight Solomon of Tybee Island, Georgia, and husband, Chris. He had many nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family who will miss him and remember him fondly every day.

In addition to flowers, memorials may be made to the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, (<https://www.ncwildlife.org/do...>).

A graveside service will be held on July 21, 2023 at 3:30 at Thyatira Presbyterian Church Cemetery, officiated by Dr. Ken Clapp, with military honors conducted by the US Navy Honor Guard and the Rowan County Honor Guard. A Celebration of Life will be held at his home on July 21, 2023 at 5:30pm.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Goodnight family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com and <https://everloved.com/life-of/philip-brandon-goodnight/>

Cemetery Details

Thyatira Presbyterian Church Cemetery

220 White Road
Salisbury, NC 28147

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 21. 3:30 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

JUL 21. 5:30 PM.

Mr. Goodnight's Residence