



## Mr. Philip Gene Howell

July 8, 1945 - March 9, 2016

Mr. Philip Gene Howell, 70, of Salisbury, NC passed away Wednesday, March 09, 2016 at the Liberty Lane V.A. Hospice House in Salisbury, NC after a long battle with cancer.

Born July 8, 1945 in in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Arnie Pruitt Howell and Clyde Hardin Howell, he was raised in West Jefferson, NC. He was a graduate of Ashe County High School and then studied at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mr. Howell served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Mr. Howell retired from Vanguard Mutual Funds Company. His generous spirit called him to volunteer at Habitat of Rowan County for the last 5 years.

Surviving is his wife Patricia Perkins Howell of Salisbury, NC; daughter, Kimberly Howell Hayes and husband Gary of Clemmons, NC; granddaughter, Sarah Michelle Hayes; brother, Chuck Howell and wife Carolyn of Pulaski, VA Also surviving are his nephew, Scott Howell Turner of Hampton, VA; niece, Erin Howell Viars of Max Meadows, VA; and nephew Michael Edmonds and wife Heather of Pulaski, VA; as well as several great nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at noon Monday (March 14) at Summersett Memorial Chapel. Following the service burial will be at the U.S. National

Cemetery on Statesville Blvd.

Memorials may be made to Habitat of Rowan County, PO Box 3356,  
Salisbury, NC 28145.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Salisbury National Cemetery

501 Statesville Blvd.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 14. 12:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Summersett Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Philip Gene Howell*



Summersett Funeral Home and Cremation Center - March 09, 2016 at 01:09 PM

SH

“ *My heart just broke to find out that one of my favorite managers passed. Phil had been heavy on my mind so I did a search only to come across his obituary. Phil was a good man & it was a pleasure to call him my boss as he had a very nurturing spirit about him. He loved his family & his beautiful granddaughter. Thank you for sharing him with us at Vanguard. (Sheila Ledbetter)*

Sheila - May 13, 2019 at 08:31 PM

MR

“ *Mike and Amy Reeves purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Philip Gene Howell.*



Mike and Amy Reeves - March 12, 2016 at 03:59 PM

TF

“ I served with Phil in Vietnam 68-69. Phil was a forward observer ( a very dangerous job) and I thought he was the best in the company. What I liked best about Phil on our down time he was always in a good mood, a real cut up and always smiling. A few years ago we got together with a couple other guys from our outfit reminiscing about the Army and Vietnam for some good laughs at a Army reunion. I am sure Phil was a Great Husband, Father and Grandfather. So sorry for your loss Take Care and May God Bless.

*Tom Fohl*

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**Tom Fohl** - March 12, 2016 at 03:43 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Philip Gene Howell.*



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March 12, 2016 at 01:01 PM

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“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



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**carolyn Howell** - March 12, 2016 at 08:55 AM

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**carolyn Howell** - March 12, 2016 at 08:37 AM

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**Kim Hayes** - March 10, 2016 at 03:46 PM

DP

“ *May God grant you peace. We love you all. Phil will be missed. He was friend, family, and full of life helping others. Peace.*  
*Clay*

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**D Clay Perkins** - March 10, 2016 at 11:08 AM



“ *On behalf of the Lonnie Pruitt family, our deepest condolences, we loved Phil so much, and his visits to see Daddy were so meaningful to our family. Phil you fought the good fight, now it's time to receive your rewards which will be many. Till we meet again...*  
*Gail, Mickey, Greg and Tammie*

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**Tammie Pruitt-Coffey** - March 10, 2016 at 09:36 AM

JH

“ Phil was a great friend. He will be missed by all of us. I have known Phil for 65 years, having grown up with him and being in school with him from the first grade through high school at Ashe Central High. The class of 1963 has lost a true champion.

*Thanks for the memories and always smiling face. My prayers go out to the family in the loss of Phil.*

*Jimmy Hudler*

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**Jimmy Hudler** - March 10, 2016 at 09:32 AM

DB

“ Philip was a good friend. I have many fond memories of our high school times together. My prayers go out to his family.

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**Doug Bullett** - March 10, 2016 at 06:20 AM

DR

“ Thank you, Phil, for your service to our country. May you now rest peacefully in the arms of God. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

*Dolly Duncan Richardson, Ashe Central High School, class of 1963*

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**Dolly Duncan Richardson** - March 09, 2016 at 06:22 PM

KK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I am so sorry.



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**Karen King** - March 09, 2016 at 01:08 PM