



Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas

October 11, 1937 - August 10, 2017

Richard (Dick) Joseph Follas, 79, of Kannapolis, passed away peacefully Thursday, August 10, 2017 at the W. G. Hefner VA Medical Center surrounded by his loving family.

Born October 11, 1937 in Sylvania, Ohio, he was the son of the late Joseph Bernard Follas and Virginia Beveridge Follas Wagner, who survives.

Following in his family's footsteps, he served in the United States Navy from 1955-1959. He was of the Catholic faith.

Richard retired from IBM of Charlotte after 31 years of service as a computer programmer. After his retirement, he worked and retired from NCI of Charlotte. He had several hobbies that included car enthusiast, NASCAR racing, listening to music as a jazz aficionado and also a member of the Aeronautics Modelers Academy, and the Yard Birds Aviation Club. More than his hobbies, he loved spending time relaxing with his family and friends.

Those left to cherish his memory are his mother, Virginia Wagner; his loving wife, Jean Chudzinski Follas; five children and their spouses, Angela Schneider (Terry), Brian Follas (Alana), Catherine Edwards (Bernie), Dawn Hucks (Damon) and Emily Bumann (Brian).

Also surviving him are his ten grandchildren, Allison (Schneider) King, Seaver, Aidan, and Owen Follas, Braxton and Aurelia Edwards, Megan and Meredith Hucks, Spencer and Casey Bumann and four great-grandchildren, Jaelyn, Avrie, Graham and Cooper.

He also leaves behind his brothers, Robert Follas, Ronald Follas, Roger

Follas (Happy) and Randolph Follas (Susan) and dozens of nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, August 19, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Summersett Funeral Home.

A Celebration of Life service will follow in the Summersett Memorial Chapel at 4:00 pm

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Liberty Lane Hospice Center c/o W.G.(Bill) Hefner VA Medical Center - 1610 Brenner Avenue Salisbury, NC 28144.

Mr. Follas will be laid to rest at the Salisbury National Cemetery at a later date.

Those wishing to leave a condolence for the family may do so at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Summersett Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Follas family.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

AUG 19. 4:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel
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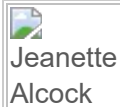
Tribute Wall



“ *Oh my dear neighbors and friends from Old South. I have such fond memories of Dick, Jean and all your kids from A to E. I'm saddened by Dicks passing and my heart breaks for you all. You were the best neighbors I've ever had. Dick was so gracious to give us airline tickets so we could fly to Texas and Adopt my son Shay. You guys were always fun and just the best. One funny memory I'd like to share was when working in the yard one day I saw a snake and got scared and came over to your house and a stick to help me with the snake but he told me I'd have to get another neighbor because he just didn't do snakes. I think he was afraid of snakes as I was. Hugs to Jean and all your sweet family. Peggy winecoff Rogers*



Peggy Rogers - August 20, 2017 at 08:06 AM



“ *Aunt Jean, and Family, Just want to take a moment to say how sorry for you loss we are. Nothing will make this day better, but I know having family and friends near, as well as far, will help somewhat. Remember to be there for each other even in the coming days, weeks, and months. I will always cherrish the trips to your place as well as the ones you made here. Most importantly I will cherrish our visit in March. Love, Thoughts, and Prayers are with you all. Jeanette and Jim Alcock.*

Jeanette Alcock - August 19, 2017 at 03:31 PM

OA

“ Oscar Agnes lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas

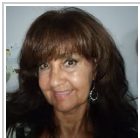


oscar agnes - August 19, 2017 at 02:16 PM

RG

“ Jean, Angie, Brian, Cathy, Dawn, and Emily and all spouses, families. So sorry we couldn't be there with you at this time. Our love and prayers are with you all. Will miss my brother-in-law. He was a good man, husband, and father and grandfather. I last got to talk to him from when he call me to thank me for a card I had sent to him. Now he will no longer be in pain and watch over all with the angels, grandma and grandpa! Love you all, Rita & Joe

Rita Grycza - August 19, 2017 at 12:54 PM



“ To Follas family. ...we are so sorry for your loss..Dick was a great friend and neighbor, he was always there to lend a hand ...and always went the extra mile...he will be dearly missed...Sincerely, the Grundmanns'.

Diana Rodriguez Grundmann - August 19, 2017 at 09:43 AM

WL

“ Wim And Leen lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas



wim and leen - August 19, 2017 at 09:18 AM

DG

“ To the Follas family...we are so sorry for your loss. Dick was a wonderful neighbor and friend, always there when you needed a hand, he always went the extra mile...he will be missed. The Grundmann family.

Diana Grundmann - August 19, 2017 at 08:30 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas.



August 18, 2017 at 10:04 AM

TF

“ My father (Jerome Follas) always spoke and thought highly of Dick and I recall fondly family reunions and Dick & family. Cousin John kept all of us informed of Dick's condition toward the end and Terry, Tom, and Ted are sending a contribution to the VA hospice listed in Richards obituary. Please accept our condolences and we will be thinking of him during the service. Take care all. Terry Follas

Terrance L Follas - August 18, 2017 at 09:48 AM

JC

“ John, Jill, Bernie and Cindy purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas.



John, Jill, Bernie and Cindy - August 16, 2017 at 12:30 PM

LB

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to all of the family.
May your precious memories bring you comfort.
Lucy and Doug Buchanan*

lucy buchanan - August 12, 2017 at 08:52 PM

FB

“ *Hi Jean, Sorry to hear about Dick, I see Cathy once in a while and always ask about you and Dick. One day I'll get to Kannapolis to see you if things ever slows down here.
My favorite thing to remember about Dick was in Old South and all his projects he would start and saying I'll get to it.
Again sorry for you and your family's loss. All of you and your family are in my prayers.*

*Love,
Fay and Don Brown*

fay brown - August 12, 2017 at 02:21 PM

LR

Larry and I are saddened by Dick's passing. We've been sharing our great memories of times with him. What a fun guy! New Orleans stands out as one of the best! Our thoughts and prayers are with each one of you.

*Love,
Larry and Dick's closest cousin, Sally*

Larry and Sally Rue - August 13, 2017 at 04:02 PM

BF

“ *Bob Beveridge and entire family. purchased the S
imply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of
Richard "Dick" Joseph Follas.*



Bob Beveridge and entire family. - August 12, 2017 at 01:55
PM