



Rev. Dr. Rick Jonathan Cockerham

August 18, 1947 - December 28, 2023

Rev. Dr. Rickey Jonathan “Rick” Cockerham, 76 of Salisbury, NC went home to be with our Lord and Savior Thursday, December 28, 2023 at his home. Born August 18, 1947 in Elkin, NC he was the son of the late Roby Cockerham and Gypsie Burcham Settle.

Dr. Cockerham was a graduate of Elkin High School and Gardner Webb College. He earned his Masters of Divinity and Doctorate of Ministries at Southern Baptist Center for Biblical Studies. He was ordained into the ministry in 1972 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Elkin, NC and remained active in the ministry for 45 years, serving five churches in North Carolina. (Two churches in Statesville, Elkin. Durham, and Salisbury) Dr. Cockerham served at Calvary Baptist Church in Salisbury for 20 years until his retirement. He enjoyed playing golf, fishing, and hunting in his spare time.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 55 years, Jacqueline Pardue Cockerham; sons, Chris Cockerham (Sherri) of Mebane, NC; Brent Cockerham (Amy) of Friendswood, TX; daughter, Brooke Morris (Matt) of Conover, NC; grandchildren, Victoria Popham (Scott), Collin Cockerham (Anna), Christopher Cockerham (Adrien); Ryan Cockerham, Andrew Cockerham, Shaela Cockerham, Makenzie Morris, Stephanie Morris; great-grandchildren, Kayleigh Popham, and Nolan Popham.

Visitation will be held from 2-3PM, Sunday, December 31, 2023 at Calvary Baptist Church. Funeral service will follow at 3PM in the church with Rev. Joe Thomas, Rev. Steve Sells, and Rev. Scott Faw officiating. Burial will be

Monday, January 1, 2024 at 11:30am at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church cemetery in Elkin, NC.

The family would like to give a special thanks to DaVita Dialysis Center on Dorsett Dr. for their loving care of Dr. Cockerham.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church Building Fund, 2255 East Ridge Rd, Salisbury, NC 28144 or Franklin Baptist Church Youth Ministry, 3810 HWY 601, Salisbury, NC 28147.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 31. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church
E. Ridge Rd.
Salisbury, NC

Service

DEC 31. 3:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church
E. Ridge Rd.
Salisbury, NC

Graveside Service

JAN 1. 11:30 AM.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery
Elkin, NC

Tribute Wall



“ *Summersett Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. Dr. Rick Jonathan Cockerham*



Summersett Funeral Home and Cremation Center - December 31, 2023 at 11:41 AM

SH

“ *he was my grandad*

shaela - March 21, 2024 at 03:14 PM

RB

“ *Chris, so sorry to have heard of the passing of your father. Our church family have you and your family in our prayers. We're sure your father was proud of you for your dedication in serving at Crosslink and showing your love for the Lord and people. We love you!*

Rick & Linda Byrd-Bivins - January 04, 2024 at 11:08 AM

WD

“ *May God work in and through this time of challenge to bring glory to His name.
May God bless and lead for His glory and our comfort.
Rev. Dr. William Donelson*

William Donelson - January 02, 2024 at 11:05 AM

BV

“ *Our prayers are with all the family. Heaven will seem more like home with Rick there to greet you when you arrive...*

Benny and Brenda Vickrey - December 30, 2023 at 02:37 PM

BC

“ *Jackie , Chris Brent an Brooke my heart is so broken for you all. I know what you all have gone through with Dialysis .An I could talk a long time with the memory's we have when you all were at Cool Spring Church . I love you an your family an I will countinue praying for you an your family love Billie Jo Carter*

Billie jo Carter - December 29, 2023 at 07:45 PM