

## Robert "Buddy" Wilhelm Jr.

January 20, 1942 - May 19, 2017

Robert Barley Wilhelm, Jr., better known as "Buddy", 75, of Salisbury, passed away unexpectedly Friday, May 19, 2017 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center.

Born January 20, 1942 in Rowan County, he was the son of the late Robert Barley Wilhelm, Sr. and Geneva Faye Gaskey Wilhelm.

In addition to his parents, Buddy was also preceded in death by a brother, Vaughn Wilhelm.

He graduated from China Grove High School and a life-long member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Early in his life, Mr. Wilhelm owned and operated a restaurant, and then spent 50 years as a carrier with the Salisbury Post. After his retirement, he worked as a Ticket Master with Amtrak.

He loved water skiing, wake boarding and tending to his large garden. He was a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather and brother. He will truly be missed by all that knew him.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 56 years, Virginia Ann Bame Wilhelm; his sons and daughter-in-law's, Robert Brian Wilhelm (Lucinda) and Anthony Kim Wilhelm (Carol); six grandchildren, Ethan, Ellie, Bailey, Lucas, Abby and Ally; and one sister, Hollis Wilhelm.

The family will receive friends Monday, May 22, 2017 from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with the funeral service beginning at 2:00 PM in the church sanctuary with the Rev. D.J. Lura officiating. Burial will be in the

church cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church 205 St. Paul's Church Road Salisbury, NC 28146.

Those wishing to leave an online condolence for the family may do so at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

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

# Cemetery Details

## St. Paul's Lutheran Church

205 St. Pauls Church Rd.  
Salisbury, NC 28146

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

MAY 22. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Brian , Kim*

*Prayers of comfort and faith for you , your mother and the entire family. Your Dad was a Good Man and a Blessing to talk to.*

Pastor Joey Spry - May 22, 2017 at 12:03 AM

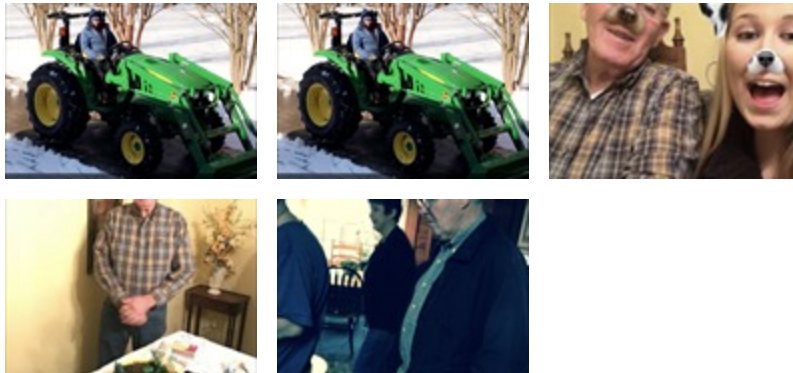
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“ *I'll never forget the day Papaw got his tractor. He talked for months about getting one and after a lot of persuasion he finally got it. It had been snowing at the house and he told me he was going to get the tractor to scrape the driveway. Next thing I know he comes up the driveway with a big green johndeer tractor. And every time he was on it, he was always smiling. He will be missed everyday and will never be forgotten.*

Ally Wilhelm - May 21, 2017 at 06:35 PM

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“ *All of the good times with Papaw*



Abby Wilhelm - May 21, 2017 at 06:02 PM