



Ruth Canup Bernhardt

August 28, 1914 - November 11, 2010

Mrs. Ruth Canup Bernhardt, 96, of Salisbury passed away Thursday Nov. 11th, 2010 at The Lutheran Home at Trinity Oaks.

She was born Aug.28th, 1914 in Rowan County to the late Ida Julian Canup, and David Lee Canup. Ruth was educated at Salisbury High School, and Catawba College, where she earned a bachelor's degree in education, then went on to be a teacher at East Rowan High School where she retired in 1976.

Ruth was very active in the community, and belonged to St. Paul's Lutheran Church where she was a lifetime member. She also taught Sunday School, and was a member of the Woman's Circle. She was on the fellowship Committee, and church history committee. Ruth also taught in the Laubach Reading Program, and was a member of the South Salisbury Fire Department Auxiliary, and Board of Directors. She was a volunteer at the Lutheran Home for 32 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband Cecil Bernhardt in 1981; a son Phil Bernhardt, brother Arnold Canup and daughter in law Donna Bernhardt.

Those left behind to cherish Ruth's memories include four sons; Gilbert

Bernhardt, J.C. Bernhardt Jr. and wife Brenda, Vernon Bernhardt his wife Cheryl, and Claude Bernhardt and his wife Debbie, three daughters: Barbara Deese, and her husband David, Judy Bernhardt, Bonnie Lawlor, and daughter in law Brenda Bernhardt, three brothers Harley Canup and wife Mae, Carl Ray Canup, and Luther Paul Canup, 14 grandchildren and 12 Great grandchildren.

Funeral service will be held 11 am Monday November 15, 2010 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with the Rev. William S. Ketchie officiating, burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held 6-8 PM Sunday at Summersett Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 205 St. Paul's Church Rd. Salisbury, NC 28146.

Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Gilbert I just heard about your Mother sorry I didn't hear sooner. You have my deepest sampthy.##imported-begin##judy Hoffner##imported-end##

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“ Dear Family members, During this time of sadness may you remember the power of prayer & know others are praying for you. I'm sure each one of you have special & fond memories of your Mother that you will always cherish. My grandmother, Lucy Troutman, took care of Claude & Bonnie (I was in college); she thought so much of your family. When my sister & I visited Lutheran Home for our Mother we saw Mrs. B's name on the door but could not find her. She was a special teacher to all of us who had her. We pray the comforting arms of the Lord will wrap around each of you in the days ahead. Our thoughts & prayers will be with you.##imported-begin##Mary Upright Eagle##imported-end##

November 15, 2010 at 12:15 PM



“ Bonnie, Brian & Dawn

Your mother and grandmother was a very special and sweet lady. I know you will miss her greatly as will a lot of other people. She lived a long and wonderful life and is now in a place with her baby brother by her side.

Please know that a lot of people are praying for your family at this sad time. But i am sure she is smiling down on everyone and helping to keep you safe.##imported-begin##Pam Vellines##imported-end##

November 15, 2010 at 11:04 AM



“ Claude and family, You should feel blessed to have your mother for so long. She has left this world for a better place. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family at this time. My the Lord bless you and your family now and forever. Claude, Sorry we cannot be there tonight, but will see you soon##imported-begin##Chris Cranford##imported-end##

November 14, 2010 at 05:07 PM



“ To Gib and all the family.

May God hold you in His comforting arms today, and give you peace in the days ahead. We send much love and sympathy. Patty June and Jim##imported-begin##Patty and Jimmy Jung##imported-end##

November 14, 2010 at 02:28 PM



“ *Vernon and Family,*

I am very sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. She was a wonderful lady and made a positive difference in countless lives as a teacher and as a fine christian lady. She will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her. May GOD Bless You All Especially During This Most Difficult Time In Your Lives.

You are in my prayers dear friend,

Chris Stiller##imported-begin##Chris Stiller##imported-end##

November 13, 2010 at 09:33 PM