



## Samuel Alexander Moir Jr.

September 13, 1924 - October 20, 2018

Samuel Alexander Moir, Jr., 94, of Salisbury died October 20, 2018 at NC State Veterans Home.

He was born September 13, 1924 in Stokes County, the son of Samuel A. Moir, Sr. and Isabelle Jessup Moir. Sam fought in World War II from 1942-1944, serving as a machine gunner and navigator on B29 bombers in the Pacific. After the war he attended Appalachian State and while in Boone met and married Betty Ruth Winkler, who preceded him in death after 55 years of marriage.

Sam played minor league baseball for several seasons before embarking upon a career in coaching basketball. After an undefeated state championship year at Mt. Airy High School, he came to Catawba College in 1960 and coached basketball there for over 30 years. He was an inductee of numerous halls of fame including the Catawba College Hall of Fame, Rowan County Hall of Fame, North Carolina Hall of Fame, NAIA Hall of Fame, Mt Airy Hall of Fame, Surry County Hall of Fame, and as well as the Appalachian State University Distinguished Alumni Award. He was proud of his players and especially their successes after graduation. He always looked forward to seeing and hearing from them.

Sam is survived by his son David Michael Moir, his son Dr. Ronald Jeffrey Moir and daughter-in-law Lisa Smith Moir, grandchildren: Joshua Franklin Mooring, Andrew Jordan Moir, Samantha Moir Belk, and Jacob Brandon Moir. He is also survived by 5 great-grandchildren, his beloved brother, Charles

Robert Moir and honorary family member Susan Smith.

A Service of Celebration will be held Saturday, October 27, 2018 at Omwake-Dearborn Chapel at Catawba College at 3:00 PM with Dr. Rev. Kenneth Lance officiating. A private burial will follow the service with military rites conducted.

Memorials may be made to Moir Endowed Scholarship, Catawba College, 2300 W. Innes Street, Salisbury, NC 28144 or First Baptist Church of Salisbury, 223 North Fulton Street, Salisbury, NC 28144.

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

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT **27**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Omwake Dearborn Chapel  
2300 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Samuel Alexander Moir Jr..*



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October 27, 2018 at 09:05 AM



“ *Loved Coach Moir! He was the reason I went to Catawba. He also played baseball with my Dad. The family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Vickie Hardy*

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**Vickie Hardy** - October 24, 2018 at 03:06 PM



“ *Moir Family,*

*My sincerest condolences on the passing of “Coach” Sam Moir. I had the privilege of playing for Coach Moir in his final 2 seasons at Catawba College. I can still remember my first visit to Salisbury and the hospitality that he and his wonderful wife Betty showed me. He was a kind man that loved the game of basketball. He will be greatly missed.*

*Respectfully,*

*Michael Feller & Family*

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**Michael Feller** - October 23, 2018 at 06:52 PM

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“ To The Entire Moir Family,

*We were all deeply saddened by the passing of one of the best college basketball coaches around. We offer our condolences to your family. The impact Coach Moir had on so many lives will forever live on in our hearts. God Bless You All!*



*The Family of Russell Dwayne Grant*

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**The Family of Russell Dwayne Grant** - October 22, 2018 at 03:57 PM