



## Vivian Haataja Bradshaw

February 24, 1928 - November 3, 2017

Vivian Stella Bernice Haataja Bradshaw, 89, of Salisbury, passed away Friday, November 3, 2017 at Journey's of Statesville.

Born February 24, 1928 in Menahga, Minnesota, she was one of eleven children born to Lewis John Haataja and Amalia Sandra Utterstrom Haataja. At age 16, Vivian moved to California and met the love of her life, Vance Bradshaw, Jr. They shared 60 years together before his passing on July 12, 2006. In addition to her parents, and husband, she was also preceded in death by all her siblings.

Mrs. Bradshaw was an adventurous soul, not afraid to venture out in life. She worked a blue collar job at Leisure Lad for over ten years, and then transferred to Fiber Industry, where she worked until her retirement.

She will always be remembered for being a wonderful, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. Vivian was a wonderful cook, especially known for her pound cake and potato salad. She had a special love for everyone. She was also known for being a peace-maker, seeking peace in every situation.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Rev. Perry James Bradshaw and wife Anna, of China Grove, Shane Bradshaw Love of Statesville and Wendy Willis and husband Bobby of New York.

She is further survived by nine grandchildren, Dusty, Chris, Casey, Garrett, Jeremy, Josh, Gabriel, Bethany and Jeremiah; and ten great-grandchildren, Dillion, Mattie, Carlie, Vance, Ella, Zoe, Jadon, McLain, Jillian and Sammy.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, November 7, 2017 from 1-2 PM at Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The funeral service will follow at 2 PM in the church sanctuary with The Rev. Dawn Rister and The Rev. Perry Bradshaw officiating. Burial will be held in the church cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made in Vivian's memory to Gordon Hospice House, 2341 Simonton Road Statesville, NC 28625.

Summersett Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Bradshaw family. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery

5080 Sherrills Ford Rd.  
Salisbury, NC 28147

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Salem Lutheran Church  
Sherrills Ford Rd.  
Salisbury, NC 28147

## Service

NOV 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Vivian Haataja Bradshaw.*



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November 06, 2017 at 08:34 PM



“ *Ann T Heard sent a virtual gift in memory of Vivian Haataja Bradshaw*



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**Ann T Heard** - November 06, 2017 at 08:32 AM



“ *Perry, So sorry to read of the passing of your Mother. May our Lord and Savior give all the family strength and comfort and peace in these difficult days.*  
*Ann T. Heard*

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**Ann T Heard** - November 06, 2017 at 08:31 AM