



## William Samuel "Bill" Carlton

July 4, 1960 - January 15, 2014

William Samuel ("Bill") Carlton of Salisbury died on Wednesday, January 15, 2014, following a long and courageous battle with cancer. He was 53 years old.

Born in Salisbury on July 4, 1960, Mr. Carlton was one of nine children of the late Pritchard Sylvester Carlton, Sr. and Della Murdoch Carlton, both of Salisbury.

Mr. Carlton was educated in the Salisbury School System. He graduated from Salisbury High School in 1978, where he excelled at golf. He received a B.A. in Economics in 1982 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was a "Tar Heel" through and through.

Mr. Carlton's career included management positions with several companies in the transportation industry. He was District Manager for Carolina Freight Corporation in Atlanta. He successfully directed logistics and transportation for all the athletes during the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. He later returned to Salisbury where he became President of Piedmont Transportation, a family owned and operated business.

His love and knowledge of sports were unsurpassed. He was an avid golfer and loved helping his nephews develop and improve their golf games. He

enjoyed bicycling and running in 5K races, even after he became ill. He was an inspiration to many. The Director of Health and Fitness at Hurley YMCA once wrote about Mr. Carlton and how he showed her what it meant to “have heart” after enduring debilitating treatments and then working his way up to running in a 5K race, “until his next treatment, when it started all over again.”

Mr. Carlton is survived by five brothers, Pritchard S. Carlton, Jr. and James D. Carlton (Kathy), both of Salisbury; Richard H. Carlton (Cindy) of Raleigh; Conrad “Bo” Carlton (Nancy) of Winston-Salem; and R. Courtney Carlton (Denise) of Charlotte; and two sisters, Kitty Carlton Chadwick (David) of Salisbury and Nancy Carlton Moscoso (Chris) of Alexandria, Va. He is also survived by six nephews and four nieces. He was preceded in death a brother, Roland Christopher Carlton.

Burial will take place on Saturday, January 18, at 2:30 p.m. in Chestnut Hill Cemetery. Services will follow at 3:30 p.m. at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. A reception celebrating Bill’s life will be held at Salisbury Country Club following the services.

Memorials may be made to St. Luke’s Episcopal Church Memorial Fund, 131 W. Council St., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the family of Mr. Carlton. Memorial tributes and online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Chestnut Hill Cemetery

Salisbury, NC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 4:30 PM (ET)

Country Club of Salisbury  
747 Club Dr.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall

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“ I will fondly remember the good times with Bill in Atlanta. May he rest in peace. My sympathy to the Carlton family.

*Mark Nathe*

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**Mark Nathe** - January 19, 2014 at 09:21 PM

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“ Bill and I hung out a good bit during the college years and soon thereafter. He was a fun loving guy back then and we had a lot of fun. I am sad that I hadn't talked to Bill in many years and didn't even know he was back in the "Slow B". Anyway, Bill, I love you and my thoughts are with all of your family. Best wishes, Cliff Homesley, Mooresville

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**Cliff Homesley** - January 19, 2014 at 10:59 AM

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“ Nancy, We are thinking of you and your close family during this sad time. You were so dedicated to your brother and what a great source of support for him during his illness. We never met Bill but know from what others have said he was an amazing brother and uncle. Sending big warm hugs to you today and look forward to giving you one when we see you in Alexandria. ~ delia, dolan and family

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**delia sullivan** - January 17, 2014 at 02:05 PM

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“ I will miss my good friend.

*Bobby Turner*

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**Bobby Turner** - January 17, 2014 at 01:51 PM



“ *Celestial Love was purchased for the family of William Samuel "Bill" Carlton.*



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January 16, 2014 at 10:27 PM



“ *Dear Nancy and family, Tim and I wish we had been able to get to know Bill. He sounds like one of kind. I know he and Tim would have had a great time on the links. What a courageous man he was to keep going strong through his treatments like he did. We are sending you our thoughts and prayers. Elise and Tim Burns*

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**Elise and Tim Burns** - January 16, 2014 at 09:32 PM



“ *Bill you will be missed everyday but especially on your birthday, 4th of July. We will never forget your visits with Nancy and Chris on this day and the fun we all had together. It was such a celebration and so nice to have you in town.*

*As next door neighbors, we know you were the world's best uncle and how much Matt enjoyed all those golf games and hanging with you.*

*We admired how you never complained and enjoyed your time here with family.*

*You leave such beautiful memories and will be greatly missed!*

*Phyllis and Ken Patterson*

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**Phyllis Patterson** - January 16, 2014 at 06:10 PM

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“ I only met Bill a few times, but what a wonderful and courageous man he was. He was one of those people who touched others' lives. Everyone felt better for having known or met him.--Denise Dunbar

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**Denise Dunbar** - January 16, 2014 at 09:49 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William Samuel "Bill" Carlton.



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January 16, 2014 at 09:26 AM