



James "Jim" Carr

Sept. 22, 1929 - Jan. 2, 2015

James "Jim" Carr, 85, of Morganton, NC died Friday, January 2, 2015. Born in Burke County, NC on September 22, 1929, he was the son of the late Nelson Jordan Carr and Winnie Mary Hilliard Carr. Jim was a member of First Presbyterian Church and owned and operated Lazarus Clothing Store. Jim received an undergraduate degree from Davidson College went on to attend graduate school at New York University. Jim was instrumental in the Morganton downtown revitalization project where he served as the first committee chairman. Jim was a founding member of Grandfather Golf and Country Club where he served as club president from 1982-1984. Jim was also a member of Linville Golf Club and an honorary member of Mimosa Hills. Jim was also heavily involved in the "Par Plus Club" and the "Cup of Cheer" both charitable organizations that assist families in need in the local area. Jim also served on the board of directors at NCNB in Morganton as well as head of the commercial division of the Burke County United Fund. Jim's great passion was golf which he enjoyed playing with his many friends and especially his wife "Ruthie". Mr. Carr is survived by his son, William Hendrix of Charlotte, NC; a step-son, Ralph Edwards and his wife, Peggy, of Morganton; a step-daughter, Betty Gray Edwards O'Neil of Charlotte, NC; grandchildren, William Hendrix, Jr., Jody Hendrix, and Ben Hendrix; step-grandchildren, Kylie Harris, Chip Edwards, Will Edwards, David O'Neill, Kristen Roach, Megan Sehart, Ryan O'Neil, and Ashley Kleiderer; ten step-great-grandchildren; nephews, Robert Carr and Ruffin Collett; and nieces, Jane Carr, Martha Mellon, and

Margaret Collett.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Harbison Carr; brothers, Benjamin Carr and Robert "Bob" Carr; a sister, Margaret Nelson Collett; and a nephew, Sterling Collett.

A celebration of Jim's life will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, January 5, 2015 at First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Michael Bailey officiating. The family will receive friends in the church parlor following the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 100 Silver Creek Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.