



John Sanford Nance Jr.

November 8, 1929 - September 23, 2024

John Sanford Nance Jr., 94, of Indian Trail passed away on September 23, 2024 at Atrium Health Mercy Hospital. His funeral service will be 3 PM on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at Lee Park Baptist Church with Pastor Chris Justice officiating. Burial will follow in the Ritch Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the church from 2 until 2:45 PM prior to the hour of the service.

Born November 8, 1929 in Mecklenburg County, he was the son of the late John Sanford Nance Sr. and Ethel Hall Nance. He was a graduate of Central High School in Charlotte, NC in 1947 and later graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a Bachelor's Degree. He furthered his education at Emory University, in Atlanta, GA receiving a Master's Degree in Pharmacy. He owned Matthews Pharmacy for many years and later worked for S & R Wrecker Service. He was a Veteran of the US Marine Corp having served in the Korean Conflict. Mr. Nance put his family first and foremost, and was always visiting and caring for other people. He was a loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He enjoyed spending time outdoors and mowing grass for his family and others. His yearly garden was something he enjoyed. As a devoted father and grandfather, Mr. Nance was always there for his children's and grandchildren's school activities and sporting events. He was preceded in death by his wife 37 years, Betty Lambert Nance. Surviving family members include daughter Georgia Christine Cupp and husband Bill of Indian Trail, David Lewis Nance and wife Wendy of Indian

Trail, Roland Sanford Nance and wife Lisa of Monroe, grandchildren Milana Marie Nance, Alissa Christine Nance, David Lewis Nance Jr., Billy Jack Cupp, Jacob Sanford Nance, Kenneth Logan Nance, John Douglas "J.D." Cupp, Nolan Rich Nance, Reagan Grace Nance, Will Cupp, and Becky Cupp, great-grandchildren William David Escobar, Bonnie Christine Orr, Sophia Marie Escobar, Liam Jedrzejewski, and Luke Jedrzejewski. He was preceded in death by two brothers James Nance and Mack Nance, grandson Jack Douglas Cupp and granddaughter Carrie Halecky.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 100 VFW Lane, Indian Trail, NC 28079 or to Back to Bethel Baptist Church, 3606 Sanford Ln, Monroe, NC 28110.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Lee Park Baptist Church
2491 Morgan Mill Road
Monroe, NC 28110

Funeral Service

SEP **29**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Lee Park Baptist Church
2491 Morgan Mill Road
Monroe, NC 28110

Burial

SEP **29** (ET)

Ritch Cemetery
6907 Cunningham Ln
Indian Trail, NC 28079

Tribute Wall

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“ I had known John for about 29 years , has a very good person and a good friend. May he Rest In Peace.

Fred Rich - September 29, 2024 at 08:35 PM

HP

“ I worked for John and Betty from summer 1969 until Matthews drug store burned in the fall of 1972. I worked during my high school days and started UNCC during that time. They were great people to work for. I met his farther Dr Nance and John's brother while I worked there. John and his father were real characters, always having some off the wall quote or advice to give you. I learned lots of things about dealing with people from them while working there. Lots of good memories.

HP - September 29, 2024 at 02:44 PM

MM

“ Mr.Nance was one of the most thoughtful and sweetest men I ever knew. There was days I may have been having a rough day and not in the best of moods then it was like the lord just sent Mr. Nance my way, I would see his smiling face and hear him say something to make me laugh , he always had something that would make you giggle . He would bring my mother in law Anne a Hamburger and they would sit and talk and just have me so happy by the end of that conversation.. I will always remember him laughing and telling jokes and being a Ray of light where ever he was. It was such a blessing to me having him come and visit and seeing him going up and down the road and just waving . He took his time to visit with Anne and he would always make both of our days better. He is up in heaven now having the best time telling his Jokes to his loved ones and his friends . He will be missed and we loved him .

Michelle Morrison - September 26, 2024 at 05:34 PM

WM

“ *Mr. Nance was such a caring and gracious person!! We always looked forward to his visits.*

He will be missed!

~Bill, Michelle, and Cody Morrison

William Morrison - September 26, 2024 at 03:51 PM