



Wayne Alan Davis

January 21, 1952 - March 16, 2022

Wayne Alan Davis, 70, of Charlotte, NC, died March 16, 2022, at the Harris Hospice Unit of Novant Health in Charlotte.

Wayne was born in Charlotte on January 21, 1952, the son of Vann Henry Davis Jr and Martha Geraldine Moser. He grew up in Charlotte and attended school at CPCC. Blessed with a talent to use his hands and with mechanical aptitude, he attended the GMC Automotive School on Tryon St and received his certification. If it had wheels, engines and required certification, Wayne could do it. A Certified ASE Master Mechanic, he held all of his licenses and was certified for passenger cars, light trucks and medium trucks. He was also a heavy equipment mechanic and held his HazMat certifications. Ultimately, Wayne went to work for the City of Charlotte in 1976 where he worked his way from fleet mechanic to a fleet analyst, ultimately retiring after 30 years of service.

When not working, Wayne enjoyed everything from operating ham radios as KQ4URW to astronomy, from hot rodding and drag racing his orange Camaro at Shuffletown to sailing on his boat, from visiting landmark food establishments in Charlotte to photography with his 35mm camera, from a fascination with anything that could fly to enjoying his dad's Ercoupe airplane, from tractors ranging from gardening to pulling, to cooking and doing old fashioned barbeques (with a recipe he took with him to his grave), to deciding

to take up fishing and buying the 85 rods in two years necessary to do so properly, to woodworking and building anything with wood and metal that he could, even joining the Piedmont Chapter of The Historical Railway Society after he helped rebuild an old Pullman car, there wasn't much Wayne didn't enjoy. Whatever Wayne applied himself to, he would make himself a master of. He even did the mile swim on Lake Norman to complete his Life Scout title in the Boy Scouts. Of course, those who knew Wayne knew one of the few things he did not enjoy if you asked him about the weather. Most of all, he loved the time spent with family and friends, especially fishing with his granddaughters.

Wayne is survived by his wife of 51 years, Mary; his children Nikki (husband Bryan) Krieger and Kyle (Erin Kindred, MD) Davis; two grandchildren: Gwendolyn Krieger and Alyssa Davis; and his mother. Wayne is further survived by his siblings as well as numerous other relatives and friends. Wayne was preceded in death by his beloved stepfather, Arthur Paris Lowder.

Wayne's family has given the privilege of caring for him and for them to both the Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home of Matthews and the Davis Funeral Home of Monroe. Visitation will be held at the Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home, 4715 Margaret Wallace Road, Matthews on Sunday, March 27, from 4 to 6 pm. Services will be held at 1 pm on Monday in the funeral home chapel followed by a procession to Wayne's final place of earthly rest at Gethsemane Memorial Gardens, Sugar Creek.

In honor of the love and care shown to Wayne and his family, the family would appreciate any donations in Wayne's name be made to Buddy Kemp Cancer Support Center, information may be found at <https://www.novanthhealth.org/home/services/cancer/cancer-patients--family/buddy-kemp-cancer-support-center.aspx>

Tribute Wall

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“ *It's been 2 years tomorrow will never my old friend*



Doug McKenzie - March 15, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So sorry to hear about Mr Davis' passing. Remarkable man who I learned a lot from. He will be missed.*

Ron Futerman - May 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM