



Willie "Red" Treece

August 1, 2019

Willie

Travis "Red" Treece, 89, of New London, passed away Wednesday July 31, 2019 at Stanly Manor. His funeral service will be held at 2 PM Saturday in the Stanly Funeral and Cremation Care Chapel with Rev. Nina Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Stanly Gardens of Memory. The family will receive friends from 12:30 until 1:30 prior to the service, and in honor of his abiding love of ice cream, the family would also like to invite attendees to an ice cream social in the fellowship hall of Bethany United Methodist Church after the burial.

Born

December 5, 1929 in Stanly County, NC, he was the son of late Willie Travis Treece Sr. and Katherine Addie Harris Treece. He retired from Alcoa with 30 years of service to realize his dream of owning his own business, Carolina Maintenance Products, and "kept the roof over school children's heads" in all 100 counties of NC.

As a part of this business, he got his pilot's license and enjoyed many hours flying his Cessna 152. He was also retired from the NC National Guard after 20 years with the rank of Captain. A member of Bethany United Methodist Church, he taught Sunday school for over 50 years. Mr.

Treece's beautiful baritone voice was in demand for many weddings and funerals, and he cherished his participation in the Singing Americans for 30 years. He was a member of Yadkin Falls Lodge #637, a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner and was very active in those organizations throughout his life. An avid golfer and talented guitarist, he passed his love of golf and music on to his grandchildren.

Mr.

Treece is survived by his wife Maxine Harley Treece of the home, daughters Donna Treece Sides of Garner and Susan Treece Gant and husband Roger of Burlington, grandchildren USAF Lt. Col. Wesley Reid Sides and wife Dana of Canberra, Australia; Jordan Gant and husband Gregory Connuck of Asheville; and Roger Gant IV of Nashville, TN; and great-grandchildren Wyatt Reid Sides and Hadley Rhys Sides. He was preceded in death by sisters Mildred T. Ferrari and Virginia T. Medlin.

In

lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be made to the Stanly County

Family YMCA, 427 N. First Street, Albemarle, NC 28001 or to Bethany United Methodist Church, 2411 US Hwy 52 N, Albemarle, NC 28001 or to the charity of

the donor's choice. The family wishes to express their thanks to the Staff of Sanger Heart and Vascular Institute, Hope Medical, Hospice of Stanly and Uwharrie, and Hospice of Cabarrus for their compassionate care of Mr. Treece.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of "Red's" passing!! He will be greatly missed!! I know he is singing with the heavenly choir now!!

Brenda E Morris - August 02, 2019 at 01:35 PM

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“ "Red" was a flying buddy and part owner of a wonderful little plane with me for many years. I knew of his love of family, church, singing and flying and admired his dedication to them. He was a fine Christian.

Sylvia B. Mauney Harris - August 02, 2019 at 12:19 PM