



Clarence Jay Wagoner

September 9, 1923 - July 12, 2019

Clarence Jay Wagoner, 95, of Mooresville, passed away on Friday, July 12, 2019, at Novant Health Presbyterian Medical Center, Charlotte. Born September 9, 1923, in Rowan County, NC, he was a son of the late William Clarence Wagoner and Esther Misenheimer Wagoner. Mr. Wagoner was a retired shift supervisor for Duke Power. He served in the United States Army, Company A, 3159th Signal Service Battalion from 1941 – 1946 where he was a Technical Sergeant receiving the EAMET Campaign Medal with 4 Bronze Service Stars, Good Conduct Medal, Sharp Shooter's Badge, Rifleman's Badge and Victory Medal. He had pre-radar certification and was a cooking school graduate. Mr. Wagoner was involved in the European and Pacific Theaters – serving in England, France, Germany, Philippines and Japan. He was a charter member of Rockwell Lions Club, a member of Duke Energy Retiree's Club and a Duke Energy Community Volunteer.

Mr. Wagoner lived a life of service, sharing the love of Christ with everyone he met. He was always quick with a story and made others smile. He took a special interest in youth, encouraging them to live a life of meaning. Mr. Wagoner was a lifelong Lutheran. He was a member of Emmanuel, Rockwell; St. James, Rockwell; Holy Comforter, Belmont; and for the last 55 years was a member of St. Mark's, Mooresville. He was active in the Boy Scouts of America, serving as Scoutmaster at Holy Comforter, Belmont. He was also active in the Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop at St. Mark's, helping Boy Scouts

with projects for Merit Badges and a leader at summer camp. He and his wife, Ruth, were honorary grandparents for the Cub Pack. He saw two sons and a grandson through Scouting from Cub through Eagle Rank at St. Mark's. Mr. Wagoner served as a church council member and secretary at St. James, church council member for two terms at St. Mark's, where he also served on the Property Committee constructing items to be used in the church such as the manger for the Christmas play, stand for church banners, crosses for Lenten Season and Easter, Pre-School Program jack-of-all trades and general maintenance of the church property. He was involved in the Lutheran Men in Mission where he received honorary life membership.

Mr. Wagoner was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Elledge Wagoner; children, David (Janet) Wagoner, Derwin (Karen) Wagoner and his American Field Service student sons, Jose Passerino and family and Jorge "Kico" Rojas and family, and Jose (Christina) Araya; brothers, John (Rose) Wagoner, Jim Wagoner and Joe (Wanda) Wagoner; sister, Rose Safrit; grandchildren, Andrew Wagoner, Devin (Brad) Houser, Ashley Wagoner (Michael Nipper) and David A. Wagoner; and great granddaughter, Chloe Houser.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held at 2 PM, Sunday, July 21, 2019, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church Family Life Center. Since Mr. Wagoner was an avid gardener, those attending the service are asked to bring a flower from their garden to help assemble an arrangement in his memory. The family will receive friends immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, please direct memorial gifts to the St. Mark's Lutheran Church Memorial Garden Fund.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the family of Mr. Wagoner. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 21. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
454 Fieldstone Road
 Mooresville, NC 28115

Receiving Friends

JUL 21. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Clarence Jay Wagoner*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Clarence Jay Wagoner*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Clarence Jay Wagoner*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *I offer my heartfelt sympathy to Ruth, David, Derwin and all of the Wagoner Family in your loss.*

I remember the MHS Band days and my years at St. Mark's Church. Precious memories of you all. I pray God's peace for you all.

Willie Beaver

Willie Beaver - July 25, 2019 at 01:54 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to Ruthie and the family!! Jay will always have a place in our hearts and memories, such a sweet man! All our love Jack & Barbara Wagoner*



barbara Wagoner - July 16, 2019 at 01:39 PM

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“ *did not know him personally but knew his brother jim, so sorry for their loss* ”

ken & lori walton - July 15, 2019 at 05:34 PM