



## Duane Theodore Carter

December 18, 1934 - March 17, 2022

Duane Theodore Carter, 87, passed away on Thursday, March 17, 2022. He was born to the late Carl "Jack" and Velma Carter on December 18, 1934, in Mocksville, NC. He grew up there and in Mooresville, NC, where he graduated from Mooresville High School in 1953. After graduation, he attended Gardner-Webb College and NC State University before going to work as a Measurement Engineer for Transcontinental Pipeline Corporation. After a 5½ year relationship that began as high school sweethearts, Duane married Patsy "Pat" Blackwelder on March 30, 1957.

The time during his 37-year career with Transco took Duane and Pat to numerous cities (Belton, SC; Stanley, NC, Gastonia, NC and back to Mooresville) where they made many wonderful lifelong friends. These years also brought them a family, 2 daughters, Pam and Connie "Lisa" and a son, Derek. After retiring from Transco, Duane went to work for the City of Shelby, managing its gas department. Duane always loved his time with both Transco and Shelby and the many special friendships that he developed over the years. Throughout these years and those after he retired. Duane loved his life on the lake, time with family and the many vacations that he and Pat took with their Airstream family, the members of the Carolinas Airstream Club, of which they were members for over 30 years. Duane always worked hard, enjoyed a good time and helped anyone who needed it. He was a loving father and grandfather who encouraged his family with love, confidence and most importantly, by example to be all that they could be. He spent 68 years

with the love of his life supporting each other, making friends, making memories, and creating a close family who wanted to be together and had fun when they were.

To all who knew him, Duane was synonymous with a joke and a laugh. He will be remembered with a smile on his face and always a helping hand. Duane was preceded in death by his wife, Patsy Blackwelder Carter, his parents, and his brother, Frank Carter. He is survived by his children, Pam Mason (Perry) of Southlake, TX, Connie "Lisa" Poore (Jeff) of Mooresville and Derek Carter (Debbie Rogers) of Mocksville. He is also survived by his sister Barb Neill (Allen) of Welcome, NC; grandchildren, Shannon Carter of Reidsville, Erin Benfield (Josh) of Mooresville, Anna Smith (Josh) of Mooresville, Hannah Goodman (Colby) of Frisco, TX, Brad Mason of Charleston, SC, Ashley Laurel (John) of Raleigh, Andy Poore of Mooresville, and Adam Poore of Wilmington along with 6 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his constant canine companion, Boo.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Fair View United Methodist Church, PO Box 27, Mt. Mourne, NC 28123 and S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House, 1325 Mecklenburg Highway, Mooresville, NC 28115.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Carter family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fair View United Methodist Church

1430 Mecklenburg Hwy  
P.O. Box 27  
Mount Mourne, NC 28123

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

MAR 20. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Fair View United Methodist Church  
1430 Mecklenburg Hwy  
P.O. Box 27  
Mount Mourne, NC 28123

## Funeral Service

MAR 20. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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## Graveside Service

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MAR **20**. 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Pam, Derek and Lisa,  
I just learned of the passing of Duane. Duane was my supervisor at the City of Shelby. He was so proud of his family and talked of you all often. I loved your Mom, Pat too. The Gas Department guys really admired and respected your Dad because he was always there for us. We all enjoyed his stories of when he worked for Transco. My sister, Pam Devine was in the Airstream Club with Duane and Pat and she came to love them too. I know you will all miss him. Sincerely, Vallery D. McCoy, Shelby NC

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**Vallery D. McCoy** - May 09, 2022 at 11:17 AM

AS

“ We were so saddened to hear of Duane's passing. He and Pat were such wonder friends in Belton, S.C. We all went to church together, I baby sat their children. Love and prayers to these sweet children.  
James and Anita Stoner

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**Anita Stoner** - March 24, 2022 at 06:40 PM

TS

“ We were saddened to hear of Duane's passing. We often sat with him and Pat at Fair View United Methodist Church and enjoyed hearing about their Airstream travels. We'll miss his sunny smile.  
John & Terry Schaefer

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**Terry & John Schaefer** - March 22, 2022 at 08:40 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Michael ROberts** - March 20, 2022 at 06:32 PM

PI

“ Also, I did not realize that Mr. Duane was born in Davie County, Mocksville, NC. That's where my mother was born and raised. I'm sure that the living relatives of my mother, Nancy Ruth Daywalt (Ingram) probably knew his parents or not, but I'm sure my mother's parents possible knew them. . My mother's parents were Theodore (Ted) and Viola Smith Daywalt. They lived off Davie Academy Road, and are buried at Salem United Methodist Church. God Bless you all.

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**Perry T. Ingram** - March 20, 2022 at 05:27 AM

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“ Pam, Lisa and Derek. I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your beloved father. I had the privilege of knowing both he and Ms. Patsy, as Pam and I graduated the same year. I can still remember fond memories of both. Also, Mr. Duane attended our church from time to time, and got to know Ms. Lisa better. Mr. Derek was much younger, but I do remember you as well. Please know that you all are in my prayers and thoughts. Our sincere condolences, Perry Ingram and Eric L. Thomas-Ingram.

*Although no words can take away the sorrow that you bare.  
May it be comforting to you that others do care.*

*In Jesus Name, Amen.*



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**Perry T. Ingram** - March 20, 2022 at 05:16 AM

JS

“ Pam, Lisa and Derek,  
So sorry to hear about Duane. I first met Duane in June 1962 and we became friends then and In 1964 I was transferred to Grover, NC to work with Duane in Gas Measurement. He was a great teacher besides a great friend. We remained close friends over all these almost 60 years and talked frequently. He will be greatly missed by not only me and Jo but by all of his many friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family.  
Jerry Paul & Jo Smith

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**Jerry Paul & Jo Smith** - March 19, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Duane Theodore Carter.*



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March 18, 2022 at 05:03 PM