



## Frank Powell Knox

May 29, 1943 - December 9, 2024

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Frank Powell Knox, age 81, of Mooresville, who left this world on Monday, December 9, 2024, at the S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House. Born on May 29, 1943, in Iredell County, NC, Frank was the beloved son of Graham Watts Knox and Mary Elizabeth Purser Knox.

A career which started in clothing sales eventually led him to belt design, manufacturing and sales. But it was his service to his community that truly defined him. A lifelong member of Fair View United Methodist Church, he was referred to lovingly as the "Mayor of Mt. Mourne" for his warm presence and commitment to others. A proud member of the National Guard, Frank embodied the spirit of service in everything he did.

Known for his generous heart, he found joy in visiting those in hospice, hospitals, nursing homes and especially attending funerals, offering comfort and companionship to those in need. He had a passion for the outdoors and a love for 4H. Frank's support for local organizations, including Crossnore Communities for Children and the Hope of Mooresville (HOME), revealed his deep commitment to bettering the lives of those around him, particularly children. Frank loved to love.

Frank was preceded in death by his brothers, Hollis and James Knox; his

sister, Hilda Ann Stutts and niece, Jennie Brown. He is survived by his devoted partner, Becky Deal; nieces and nephews, Joe Knox (Robin), Mark Knox (Julie), Becky Willard (Harold), Lisa Carver (Bobby), Tracy Lentz (Scott), John Stutts and Lori Stutts; great nieces and nephews, Jeremy Knox, Holli Jo Wilkins, Joseph Knox, Brittany Wilhelm, Melody Sentelle, Drew Willard, Garth Willard, Jamie Brown, Jessie McConnell, Amber Wood, Josh Carver, Laura Rollings, Joe Lentz and J.C. Stutts. Special friends include the Napoleon Lowery Family, the Gaston Tuck Family and Valle Crucis neighbors, who cherished him deeply. He leaves behind a legacy of love, kindness, and community spirit that will not be forgotten.

Funeral services will be held at 2 PM on Monday, December 16, 2024, at Fair View United Methodist Church in Mooresville, where family and friends will gather to celebrate his remarkable life and the countless ways he touched the lives of others. Following the service, Frank will be laid to rest at his final resting place at Fair View United Methodist Church, Mount Mourne, NC, allowing his spirit to forever remain in the community he loved so dearly. The family will receive friends from 5 - 7 PM on Sunday, December 15, 2024, at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville.

In this time of sorrow, we invite everyone who knew Frank to come together to honor his memory and reflect on the profound impact he made in our lives. Keep his spirit alive by remembering the kindness he extended to all and the love he freely shared.

Memorial donations in Frank's memory, may be made to the S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House, 1325 Mecklenburg Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115 or Fair View United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 27, Mt. Mourne, NC 28123.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the Knox family. Condolences may be made 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

DEC **15.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

## Funeral Service

DEC **16.** 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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

## Graveside Service

---

DEC **16.** 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

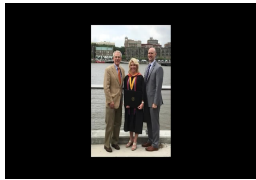
DI

“ *May my very special friend rest in peace. I have loved you for a long time.*

**Dianne** - February 02, 2025 at 05:10 PM

BD

“ *1 file added to the album Video*



**Becky Deal** - December 16, 2024 at 08:05 PM

LM

*Thanks for posting all the photos, Becky! You did a great job of putting this together. Larry*

**Larry Mayhew** - November 09, 2025 at 10:55 PM

RG

“ *Frank was always upbeat, very positive, always wearing a smile. He was an authentic person who was nice to everyone.*

**Rose Simpson Gebelein** - December 16, 2024 at 03:49 PM

GM

“ *Frank was the neighbor sent down from Heaven to Emerald Green Village Community! If you felt unhappy or sad, Frank would immediately cheer you up with his most powerfull greeting "Have a Blessed Day!" Frank will be dearly missed but he is definitely at peace back where he came from in Heaven!!*

**Gary & Diane Marozas** - December 16, 2024 at 07:23 AM

SA

“ I love hearing and reading how we all shared Frank, and how he has loved all of us. A photo of joy that was always on Franks face when seeing us.



---

**sarah** - December 15, 2024 at 11:09 PM

GA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



---

**George and Beth Adams** - December 15, 2024 at 09:28 AM

GA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



---

**George and Beth Adams** - December 15, 2024 at 09:26 AM

GA

“ Oh Frank, a one of a kind: a gentleman, a sportsman, shag dancer extraordinaire, and most importantly a person of unquestionable faith in of our Lord! Best man in our wedding and my Nova Scotia fly fishing buddy for nearly 20 years. I will miss your smile and your laugh. And Becky, thank you for sharing your love and compassion with my best friend. George and Beth Adams

George and Beth Adams - December 15, 2024 at 09:17 AM

CP

“ Frank wasn't known for being the Mayor of Mount Mourne for nothing. He could remember everyone from days gone by. Many a time I would run into him at the Post Office and he would inevitably bring up the name of someone and add his memories of that person and how they pertained what we were talking about. He knew all about my family, Robert Cowan, the long time Postmaster of Mount Mourne, and “the Girls” as we often called them. So we always had something to talk about. I don't think we will ever forget him.

Catherine Pierce - December 15, 2024 at 08:58 AM

 Brenda Harvey

“ Frank's smile was contagious. He was always the "official" greeter at Fair View UMC and making sure that anyone new walking through the door was made welcome. He could make a twenty second story into a twenty minute but oh what a story he could tell...I loved that when we visited at Summit, he introduced us as his "peeps". Such a very special person and will be long remembered.

Brenda Harvey - December 14, 2024 at 08:37 PM

JS

“ 1 file added to the album Mt Morne School



John Sparrow - December 14, 2024 at 12:04 PM

JS

*Frank is on the RIGHT and Mickey on the left. Old age getting me.*

John Sparrow - December 14, 2024 at 12:18 PM

JS

*Our 6th grade trip to the mountains--John Sparrow*

John Sparrow - December 14, 2024 at 05:05 PM

JS

*Frank at the left and Mickey Shumaker on the right not sure about the other person to the left.*

John Sparrow - December 14, 2024 at 05:10 PM

JS

*Our 6th grade class trip to the mountains.*

John Sparrow - December 15, 2024 at 02:42 AM

JA

“ *Frank came into my life through our mutual love for Becky Deal. Visiting in each other's homes was an adventure. May God comfort and give peace to all who shared in Frank's extraordinary life.*

Jo Anderson - December 14, 2024 at 09:57 AM

BH

“ Beverly Sproul Holt lit a candle in memory of Frank Powell Knox



Beverly Sproul Holt - December 14, 2024 at 08:12 AM

JS

“ One year Centre and Fairview had their VBS together. Frank and I being the same age were in the same class. We were about 10-12 years old. Margaret Pratt was teaching the class I believe. Frank and I were given the task of cutting some small trees to use as flag poles. Frank comes over to my home and we went down in my grandfather's woods to get the small trees. It was near a branch which is now under Lake Norman. Just as we had finished our task a huge thunder storm struck with a very heavy downpour, lightening and thunder. I'm sure my mother was very worried. We got to my house soaking wet. Mother made us take a bath and get dry clothes. I guess she gave Frank some of mine temporarily. Frank has probably related this story to many people. In fact he came by to see me when he heard my brother had died back in the summer and began to try to tell this tale. I had to help him finish it. Rest in peace dear friend. You will always be remembered for your kindness and generosity.

John Sparrow - December 13, 2024 at 11:33 PM

AW

“ Frank and I enjoyed a special relationship over most of our lives. We were close due to a marriage in the family, as well as being classmates from first grade to graduation. To know Frank was to love him. His crazy sense of humor, his infectious laugh, his kindness and caring for others will be treasured memories never forgotten. A good man, he will truly be missed.

*Alma (Tootsie) Newton Wofford*

---

**Alma (Tootsie) Newton Wofford** - December 12, 2024 at 05:03 PM

LG

*My friendship with Frank began 55 years ago when we worded in Charlotte and he and in recent years when he and Becky would visit me at the beach. The world won't be the same without Frank Knox. His kindness towards others, sense of humor, story telling and that laugh. It was a honor to be his friend.*

---

**Linda Gotwals** - December 13, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Powell Knox.



---

December 12, 2024 at 12:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank Powell Knox.

---

December 12, 2024 at 12:28 PM

AR

“ As a member of the Mooresville High class of 1961 I've know Frank for several decades. Since I moved away from Mooresville I've had little contact but I have good memories of him. He was always “Mr Handsome” in the class of 61! He exemplified the term gentleman and was a truly generous individual and will be remembered and missed by many.  
Annette Carrigan Russo



---

**Annette Russo** - December 12, 2024 at 11:36 AM

AW

Frank and I enjoyed a special relationship over most of our lives. We were close due to a marriage in the family, as well as being classmates from first grade to graduation. To know Frank was to love him. His crazy sense of humor, his infectious laugh, his kindness and caring for others will be treasured memories never forgotten. A good man will truly be missed.  
Alma (Tootsie) Newton Wofford

---

**Alma (Tootsie) Newton Wofford** - December 12, 2024 at 01:27 PM

CK

“ We will surely miss our friend, "Pancho". He always had a smile a little story to tell that made us feel better each time we saw him. I was years before I discovered why we called him Pancho, i never realized that.it was Spanish for Frank. We always had fun when we got together. Prayers for Becky and the entire Knox family.

---

**Cotton Ketchie** - December 12, 2024 at 07:18 AM

DL

“ *It's not what we have in life, but wh we have in our lives that matters. When I lived in Mooresville with the Charles Mack family, I saw Frank offen when he would come and visit with Frankie and Johnny. Frank also became a friend of mine. His smile and laugh was contiguous. Such a nice guy and never had a harsh word about anyone. May Frank rest in peace.*  
*Dianne Azouri Leventis*

-----  
**Dianne A. Leventis** - December 11, 2024 at 11:55 PM

CS

“ *Cindy & Steve lit a candle in memory of Frank Powell Knox*



-----  
**Cindy & Steve** - December 11, 2024 at 10:59 AM

JJ

“ *Where there was discord, may we bring harmony. Where there is error, may we bring truth. Where there was doubt, may we bring faith. Where there is despair, may we bring hope. This was Frank's life. Rest in peace!*

-----  
**John Smith Templeton, Jr.** - December 11, 2024 at 10:50 AM

WB

“ *Prayers and condolences for all!*

-----  
**William D. & Danette S. Bumgarner** - December 11, 2024 at 10:10 AM


KS

“ *Karen Smith lit a candle in memory of Frank Powell Knox*



---

**Karen Smith** - December 11, 2024 at 09:34 AM

 Leila Hobbs

“ *Leila Hobbs lit a candle in memory of Frank Powell Knox*



---

**Leila Hobbs** - December 11, 2024 at 08:50 AM

BR

“ *Such a sweet and caring man* ❤️

---

**Brandy Compton Runyan** - December 10, 2024 at 06:37 PM