



## Lisa Ruth Church

March 3, 1956 - July 27, 2025

Lisa Ruth Church (née Atkinson), 69, passed away peacefully on July 27, 2025, surrounded by her loving family.

Born on March 3, 1956, in Methuen, Massachusetts, Lisa was a kind, supportive, and loving soul who devoted her life to her family, whom she cherished deeply. She was known for always showing up for her loved ones—whether with a homemade birthday cake, a listening ear, or a comforting hug. Lisa's compassion extended far beyond her immediate circle; she was a mom and Nana to anyone who needed one. She loved spending time at the beach and anywhere her family was.

She is survived by her husband, George D. Church Jr.; her daughter, Heather Benge and husband Tony, of Mooresville, NC; her son, Christopher Church and wife Dana, of Lincolnton, NC; and her grandchildren, Alyssa Castro, Cameron Church, and William Benge. Lisa also leaves behind many other loving family members and friends who will carry her memory forward.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Thomas Atkinson; her mother, Dora Marie Atkinson (née Arsenault); her sister, Michele Smeester; and her brother, Wayne Atkinson. The family will receive friends on Friday, August 1, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, with a service to follow at 4:00 PM in the chapel of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, with Minister Frederick Bickford

Jr. officiating. All who knew and loved Lisa are welcome.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Church family. Condolences may be made to the family online at: <https://www.cavin-cook.com/obituaries/lisa-church-2/#!/Obituary>

Lisa will be deeply missed and forever remembered. To know her was to love her. Her laughter, warmth, and love will echo in our hearts forever.

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

AUG 1. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Memorial Service

AUG 1. 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ Love you Lisa! I was so blessed to have known you. You touched my heart. You reminded me so much of my mother who is in Heaven. I imagine you two have met. Love you my friend and I will pray for your family.

Sarah Huntley - August 01, 2025 at 12:21 PM

JD

“ Dear George, Heather and Chris. I am so sorry to hear about Lisa. She was such a great friend to me and my boys over the past years. She was always so kind and so very generous. I remember how happy she used to get around the holidays and how much she enjoyed her grandchildren. She made everyone feel loved! My heart goes out to you.  
Joey Dimon

Joey Dimon - August 01, 2025 at 11:12 AM

RR

“ Rob & Debbie Roberts purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



Rob & Debbie Roberts - August 01, 2025 at 08:39 AM

FG

“ Farrah G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

Farrah G. - August 01, 2025 at 08:08 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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August 01, 2025 at 07:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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August 01, 2025 at 07:49 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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July 31, 2025 at 06:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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July 31, 2025 at 01:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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July 31, 2025 at 01:24 PM

FT

“ From your Cope Family Race Team purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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**From your Cope Family Race Team** - July 31, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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July 31, 2025 at 12:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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July 31, 2025 at 12:19 PM

CT

“ Deepest sympathy to all who knew and loved Mrs. Church. Prayers of comfort for you all at this time.

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**Christina & Trevor** - July 31, 2025 at 11:22 AM

TF

“ The Cope Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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The Cope Family - July 31, 2025 at 10:35 AM

TF

“ The Cope Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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The Cope Family - July 31, 2025 at 10:35 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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July 30, 2025 at 10:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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July 30, 2025 at 10:01 PM

LC

“ Nanna Lisa welcomed my son Liam and I into her family with an open, kind, and patient heart. She was there for us and so caring for Liam. We will always cherish Nanna Lisa for the truly one of a kind very special Nanna and Person she was to everyone around her. She was dedicated to her family and loved them with every piece of her soul, truly brilliant and creative, inspiring in her ability to be there for others, full of fun and curiosity, and one of the strongest people I have ever known. She raised a strong family along side her soulmate showing how a family sticks together through thick and thin. I will always admire Nanna Lisa and Liam and I will miss her always. We are so grateful to have had the gift of Nanna Lisa in our lives for the past several years and are thankful to her family for sharing her with us and so many. Our hearts go out to Papa George and his entire family. We love all of you.

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**Lisa and Liam Conover** - July 30, 2025 at 11:00 AM

CR

“ Carl and Kelly Rullo purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.



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**Carl and Kelly Rullo** - July 30, 2025 at 09:48 AM

CR

“ Carl and Kelly Rullo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.

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**Carl and Kelly Rullo** - July 30, 2025 at 09:48 AM

KC

“ *Katie Byrd & Devon Cesca purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.*



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**Katie Byrd & Devon Cesca** - July 30, 2025 at 09:11 AM

PF

“ *Pam and Fred Bickford and Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.*



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**Pam and Fred Bickford and Family** - July 30, 2025 at 09:04 AM

PF

“ *Pam and Fred Bickford and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lisa Ruth Church.*

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**Pam and Fred Bickford and Family** - July 30, 2025 at 09:04 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lisa Ruth Church.*



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July 30, 2025 at 07:03 AM

ND

“ Lisa was such a amazing good hearted person, we were friends up her in the north, Lisa gave me a beautiful crib with a canopy, and then she gave me a big girl bed canopy for my daughter Katie such a giving person you'll b so missed love you LISA 💜💔

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**Nancy Day** - July 30, 2025 at 07:02 AM

SC

“ Lisa, I will sincerely miss you. Your kindness and compassion for everyone was always evident. You made the world a better place. I will cherish your memory forever and be here for your beautiful and precious grandson, William. Love, Shirley

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**Shirley Conover** - July 29, 2025 at 08:34 PM