



## Martha Copley Scruggs

June 26, 1936 - May 9, 2025

Martha Copley Scruggs passed away on May 9, 2025, after a period of declining health.

She leaves behind a legacy of kindness and love to those she adored. She was born the second child of Olene and Lee Copley in Salisbury North Carolina on June 26, 1936. She married the love of her life Lyle Scruggs on June 16, 1957.

She is survived by her son, Kevin Scruggs and wife, Laura; grandson, Kyle Scruggs (Lake), and granddaughter, Hannah; sisters, Annie Lee Kluttz, Aggie Peninger, and Cathy Joyner, along with many nieces and nephews. She had a big heart because she had a big family with so many to love.

She was a bookkeeper for Service Plumbing and Heating for many years but spent most of her years keeping house and being the best wife and mom anyone could ask for. Martha was very active in the Eastern Star serving in many positions including Worthy Matron and District Deputy. She was also a very accomplished golfer after taking the game up in her 40's. She and Lyle won many tournaments at Cowans Ford Country Club, where they were charter members. She will always have the family record for the longest drive of over 400 yards even though it was contested by Lyle and Kevin because it was cart path aided.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 62 years Lyle, sister, Shirley Wilkerson, and brother, Buddy Copley.

Martha collected Frog figurines of every kind. FROG- Fully Rely on God was her motto. It is how she lived life.

The family would like to send their sincere thanks and gratitude to the staff at Lake Norman Dialysis for their love and kindness over the past 8 years. You were all her second family, and she loved you all. Also, a special thank you to her sister Cathy Joyner for giving so much and taking time away from her family to help care for mom this past year.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, June 12, at 6 PM, with reception of friends following. Wear something red if you come.

Memorials can be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 454 Fieldstone Road, Mooresville NC 28115, or to the National Kidney Foundation.

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

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 12. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Receiving Friends

JUN 12. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

AH

“ KEVIN , FAMILY SO SORRY ABOUTMOM ,SHE WAS A FRIENDLY PERSON ALWAYS, AND ALWAYS DEDICATED TO FAMILY ,EASTERN STAR AND CHURCH. , A GREAT PERSON , WAS AT ST MARKS LAST SUNDAY THOUGHT ABOUT HER A LOT, MUCH LOVE TO ALL, AUDRY HARRIS

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**AUDRY HARRIS** - May 11, 2025 at 12:56 PM

KH

“ My condolences to the Scrugg family. Martha Ellen was the same age as I am and was a favorite cousin. Growing up, she was more like a sister than a cousin. I loved her dearly.

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**Kay F. Heilig** - May 10, 2025 at 08:24 PM

EA

“ Kevin,  
I am so sorry to hear about your mother. Jimmy and I day behind them at St Marks. She was such a sweet lady. It's hard to lose your parents as an only child. I miss mine terribly  
Love to you and Laura  
Elizabeth Arthurs

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**Elizabeth Arthurs** - May 10, 2025 at 08:21 PM

TH

“ Kevin and all the Scruggs/Copley Family, Ellen and I are so sorry to hear about your Mom/Martha Ellen’s passing. From my early years at family reunions until family gatherings later in life I will always remember that infectious smile and laugh that followed her wherever she went. It was her gift to all of us that said you are family and being together makes me so happy. She has sorely missed your Dad/Lyle since he went to be with our Father in Heaven and I know he has made a place for her. To you all remember all the good times with your Mom/Martha Ellen, and there were too many of those to count. Take solace in knowing she is with her Heavenly Father and once again in the loving arms of her husband. Oh what a glorious day to rejoice with them both. Trust in the Lord as you find your way through this time of grief. He will comfort you and give you Peace. We love you all!!

*Tim & Ellen Heilig*

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**Tim Heilig** - May 10, 2025 at 08:05 PM

CF

“ We sat in front of your parents at St.Marks. They were a lovely couple. Martha missed your dad so much. We enjoyed getting to know them.

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**Carol Feiste** - May 10, 2025 at 04:41 PM

BB

“ Kevin, so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. Both your parents were kind, sweet people. You and your family will be in my prayers.

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**Bill Brown** - May 10, 2025 at 04:27 PM