



Sanford Eugene Catoe

July 7, 1947 - May 15, 2026

Sanford Eugene Catoe (Gene) passed away on Friday, May 15, 2026 at the age of 78 after a 17 month stay at Crestview in Mooresville.

He was born on July 7, 1947 in Charlotte North Carolina, the son of Sanford Lee and Ruby Catoe.

He is survived by his wife Pam, son Chris (Trisha), granddaughters Alicia (husband-Alex), Kristina (boy-friend-Josh), brother Jacky, nieces Nikki (husband-Eric), Amanda (husband-James) and 3 great nieces and one great, great nephew.

He graduated from North Mecklenburg High School. He served as a Mecklenburg County Police Officer for 20 years before being injured and having to retire. The last two years he served as a K9 Officer. He truly loved being a police officer. After recovering from his injury he worked several part-time jobs before going to work at Auto Zone where he ended that career as Assistant Manager.

In addition to loving his family he loved cars, especially street roads. Over the years he bought and traded many different cars. Each one was special to him. Gene attended Berea Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon, Chairman of Deacons, and Sunday School Director.

The family will receive friends on Monday, May 18 from 12:30-2:00 PM with a service following at 2:00 PM at the Chapel of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home with Rev. Dan Freeman officiating. Burial will follow the service at Berea Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Catoe family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Berea Baptist Church

1015 River Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28117

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

MAY 18. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

MAY 18. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

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

Graveside Service

MAY 18. 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM (ET)

Berea Baptist Church
1015 River Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28117

Tribute Wall

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“ *Classic Collision Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sanford Eugene Catoe.*



Classic Collision Family - May 18 at 08:50 AM

BS

“ *It was a pleasure to serve with you on the Mecklenburg County Police...Good times...Rest in Peace...Bill Sirginson-M73.*

Bill Sirginson - May 15 at 05:55 PM

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“ *AMANDA & JASON LIZAUSKAS purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Sanford Eugene Catoe.*



AMANDA & JASON LIZAUSKAS - May 15 at 05:35 PM

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“ *In memory of Mecklenburg County Retired Police Officer Gene Catoe!*



Donne Mills - May 15 at 05:27 PM