



## Sylvia Anne Helms

October 6, 1935 - January 28, 2022

Sylvia Anne Whitley Craft Helms passed away January 28, 2022. Sylvia was born in Mecklenberg County, NC on October 6, 1935, the eldest daughter of Roy Allen and Ruth Elizabeth Whitley. After graduating from Central High School in 1953, Sylvia married Paul E. Craft, Jr. in 1954 and they moved to California. Sylvia graduated from Cal State Northridge in 1978, retired from H&R Block in 1997 and then she and Paul moved back to North Carolina. Paul passed away in 2001. Sylvia was married to Samuel Helms from 2003 until he passed in 2009.

Sylvia is survived by her daughters, Beverly Holmes (James), Beth Selmser (Dan), grandchildren Taryn Gandolfo (Keith), Stefanie Lewis (Andrew), Desirae Khampanya (TK), Paul Jared Craft, Eric Selmser (Melody), Rachel Ruhle (Chris), Kellie Rainey (Carl), Chris Holmes (Emily), Tim Holmes (Renee), Ben Holmes (Becca), 18 great grandchildren, brother Roy Allen Whitley Jr., sister Carolyn Thomasson (James), and sister-in-law Shirley DeRossett.

Sylvia loved to travel, read, sew and watch her hummingbirds. She was an accomplished pianist, serving her beloved Grace Covenant Church as Sunday School pianist for many years.

Cavin-Cook is serving the family. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday,

February 26, 2022 at 494 East Plaza Drive, Mooresville, NC with visitation at 1:00 pm and service at 2:00 pm.

For those who are unable to attend the service, you may go to the following link for the live stream <https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/authorise.php?k=1645906421169450>

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital and/or Grace Covenant Church, Huntersville, NC. The family would like to thank Bayada Palliative Care and Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region (HPCCR) for helping us take amazing care of our mom, grandma, great-grandma.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Helms. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Memorial Service

FEB **26**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Sylvia Anne Helms*



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**Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory** - February 26, 2022 at 10:19 AM

JW

“ *Dear Beth & Bev:  
Your family were the best next door neighbors anyone could ask for! Your parents were the sweetest. We had such fun with them when we had the neighbor progressive dinners. I'll never forget what a great neighborhood we lived in, that was our very first house. And we were so young. To have such wonderful neighbors as Paul & Sylvia. And you girls were such good girls, your parents were so proud of you both. We'll never forget them, we'll treasure our memories of them always! Take care!  
Love, Judy & Terry Waters*

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**Judy Waters** - February 21, 2022 at 02:57 PM

AM

“ *Sylvia was blessed with a good life, a large and loving family that she loved and was so proud of....I was blessed to have her for a true and loyal friend for so many years. She will be long remembered lovingly and missed by all who knew her.*

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**Ann Miles** - February 19, 2022 at 10:22 AM

MB

“ *One of the best neighbors and friend that anyone could ever have!  
Rest in Peace my friend! Jim & Martha Brodd*

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**Martha Brodd** - February 18, 2022 at 11:04 PM

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“ *The Entire Monhollen Family purchased the Dawn of Remembrance Basket for the family of Sylvia Anne Helms.*



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**The Entire Monhollen Family** - February 14, 2022 at 04:04 PM