



# John Henry Swaringen

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**J**ohn Henry Swaringen, 86, of Albemarle, NC passed away surrounded by his family on Monday, July 17, 2023 at Atrium Health Cabarrus, Concord, NC. His funeral service will be held 11am Saturday, July 22, 2023 at West Albemarle Baptist Church with Rev. Adam Hatley and Rev. Brent Pope officiating. Burial will follow in Paul's Crossing Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 10am until 10:45am in the West Albemarle Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Mr. Swaringen was born May 27, 1937, in Stanly County N.C. to the late John Grover Swaringen and Clarice McIntyre Swaringen.

He is survived by his wife, Sue Leonard Swaringen of the home. He is also survived by one son Michael (Kathy) Swaringen, one daughter Susan (Rick) Tindal, grandson Chuck (Doshia) Swaringen, grandson John (Crystal) Swaringen, granddaughter Ericka (Graham) Hatley, granddaughter Krista (Logan) Self, great-granddaughter Grace Swaringen, great-grandsons William and James Hatley, LJ Self, and great grandson Maddox Haywood, brother Conrad (Helen) Swaringen, and Gerald (Janet) Swaringen.

He is predeceased by two sisters and three brothers.

Henry loved everyone and never met a stranger. He could strike up a conversation with anyone he encountered. His love of people stemmed from his love of Jesus and the church. He often told his family and friends about being saved at the age of 14 and reminded them that Jesus is the only way to get into a wonderful place called heaven.

While Henry practiced being a witness to Christianity, he also worked tirelessly as a laborer with his family's company. For over 30 years he worked as an upholsterer for Smith's Novelties of Albemarle. Upon his early retirement from the Smith's, Henry didn't slow down. He continued to work doing odd jobs and upholstery work out of his home shop. When not in his shop, he tended to his garden, producing bushels of



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tomatoes that he gave away to everyone that asked for some.

Besides gardening, his other hobbies included being a successful investor in the stock market, and a devoted Mason. He was very proud of the fact that he spent over 50 years as a Mason in the Stanly Lodge-348 and an honorary member of the Norwood Lodge.

Never one to be idle for any period of time, he made sure to always let his grandchildren know when he was able to help babysit his many great grandkids. He will fondly be remembered for his love of the Lord, work ethic, dedication to his family, and the boundless energy that most of us can only hope to have. Surely, he is now walking the streets of gold in heaven and repairing projects the Lord needs done but here on earth, he will surely be missed.

Memorials may be made to, West Albemarle Baptist Church, 336 Church St, Albemarle, NC 28001.



# Events

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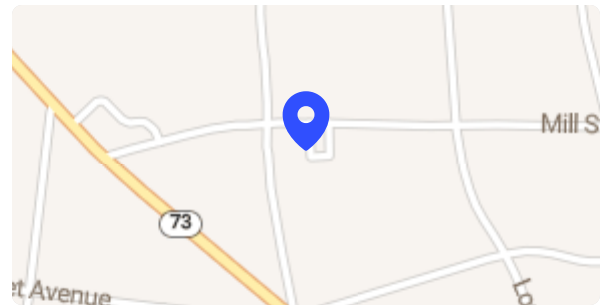
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## Visitation

**Saturday**, July 22, 2023

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

**West Albemarle Baptist Church**  
336 Church St, Albemarle NC 28001-3602



## Funeral Service

**Saturday**, July 22, 2023

11:00 AM ET

**West Albemarle Baptist Church**  
NC

## Burial

**Saturday**, July 22, 2023

**Paul's Crossing Baptist Church Cemetery**  
40461 Pauls Crossing Rd, Richfield NC 28137



## Cemetery Details

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**Steve And Karen Lowder** posted:

Susan,our deepest sympathy to you in the loss of your Dad. Also, Ericka, we know you will miss your Grandpa. Keep the memory alive for William and James.

July 21 at 7:46 PM



**Melissa Huneycutt** lit a candle in honor of John.



July 20 at 6:45 PM



**Melissa Huneycutt** July 20 at 6:53 PM

Richard & Emily Turner and Family planted a Tree in honor of Mr.Henry Swaringen .Prayers for the family .



**Melissa H.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of John.



July 20 at 6:43 PM



**David And Sarah Fisher** lit a candle in honor of John.

Our deepest condolences and prayers for the Swaringen family.



July 20 at 5:28 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Swaringen family.



July 20 at 9:34 AM



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**Mike & Sue Doby** posted:

I have had the pleasure of knowing John Henry for almost 50 years. He was a wonderful man and friend to all that knew him. My Prayers go out to the family. He will be dearly missed.

July 19 at 4:38 PM



**Johnnie And Joy Faulkner** lit a candle in honor of John.

Sending our love and prayers to the family

July 19 at 10:55 AM



**Jenny Hatley** lit a candle in honor of John.

July 19 at 5:42 AM



**Janette Swaringen** posted:

To the family of Henry, we are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. Henry and I loved our yard sales, and finding great bargains. He has quiet the collection of things. Love to you all Danny and Janette.

July 19 at 4:50 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Small Garden Dish to the Swaringen family.

July 18 at 12:58 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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