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Mr. Kenneth Jackson Cooke, of Statesville, N.C. (formerly of Cornelius, N.C.) passed away Thursday, May 11th, 2017 at the young age of seventy-five.

Kenneth was the son of Moses and Selma Gamble Cooke of Cornelius, N.C.

Kenneth was a 1961 graduate of North Mecklenburg High School and a 1963 graduate of N.C. State University Agricultural Institute. Kenneth retired from Bell South after enjoying thirty-four years of service and was a valued and honored member of the Stumptown Tractor Club.

Kenneth was the embodiment of a southern gentleman showing everyone who knew him kindness, generosity, and courtesy. His life pleasures were restoring tractors, farming, Civil War history, Godley's auctions, and classic southern cooking prepared by his wife Kay. He will always be remembered as a great man beloved by his family and friends.

Kenneth is survived by his devoted wife of fifty-two years, Kay Dwyer Cooke. Also surviving are his loving children, Kenneth Christopher Cooke (Shannon) of Denver, N.C. and also his daughter, Carol Ann Cooke, of Huntersville, N.C. He has one grandchild, Jackson Glenn Cooke, who was the light of his life and will always miss his "Grand-daddy".

Also surviving are his siblings: Charles Cooke (Midge), Robert Cooke (Nancy), Betty Conley (Eddie), Martha Jenkins (Lawson), Marilyn Ainslie (Gregory), Joe Cooke (Kathy). Kenneth also had numerous nieces and nephews that held a special place in his heart.

Kenneth will be laid to rest at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Cornelius, N.C. where he was a lifetime member. The service and celebration of life will be on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 11:00 AM, at Mt. Zion UMC in Cornelius. Burial will follow in church cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, at the church and following the burial the family will have a reception in the Family Life Center.



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In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Mt. Zion United Methodist Church or to a charity of your choice.

James Funeral Home is serving the family of Mr. Cooke and online condolences can be made to jamesfuneralhomelkn.com.



Tribute Wall

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SB

Steve Bennett posted:

I just read Mr. Cooke's obituary in the Lake Norman Citizen paper. I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Cooke's passing. My wife Lynne and I are longtime friends of his son, Chris Cooke. We only met Mr. Cooke a couple times, before the sale of the Cooke's farm/property. Chris always spoke highly of his father. Our thoughts and prayers are with Chris, his mother, and the entire Cooke Family. God bless.....

May 24 at 10:35 AM

DD

Dick Delinger posted:

Was shocked and so sorry to hear of Kenneth's death. I only learned about it a few days ago and sorry that I missed the funeral because all of the Cooke Family was my extended family. Robert and I grew up together and were in scouts and I spent many a night at their home and enjoyed Selma's wonderful cooking. My heartfelt prayers and sympathy goes out of all of the family and I know they are comforted by the fact that Kenneth is in Heaven with the Lord. May God Bless all of the family and give you comfort and peace.

May 24 at 9:45 AM

TH

Toni Mullis Howard posted:

Dear Kay, just read about Kenneth and wanted to say how sorry I am. I lost Mickey 5 years ago and it is so hard. I hope you can find strength and comfort in the Lord, He is what has gotten me through it all. If you ever need a shoulder you have my email address. I know we have not seen each other since graduation but we never forget. I spent many years enjoying Mary's company and we always spoke of you. Take care.

May 16 at 8:54 AM

DC

Dianne Campbell posted:

Dearest Kay and Carol Ann, I am standing with you, in prayer and with love. I am profoundly sorry and offer deepest condolences. Dianne

May 13 at 4:48 PM

PF

Peggy And Diether Von Frankenberg posted:

Dear Kay and family, You have our deepest condolences. Peggy and Diether

May 13 at 6:36 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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