



## John Ryder III

October 1, 1941 - April 21, 2021

Darlington, South Carolina

John William Ryder III (79) passed away on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at his home in Darlington. He was a much beloved father, grandfather, uncle, brother, and friend.

John was born in East Orange, NJ and grew up in Boonton, NJ. He joined the US Navy as a medical corpsman and traveled the world. He proudly served twenty years and retired to Virginia Beach, VA, where he got his nursing degree. He later moved to Darlington, where he lived the rest of his life.

John was predeceased by his sister, Connie, his wives, Carol, Barbara, and Betty. He is survived by his children Beth Schmidt (Brian), John Ryder IV (Christan), and Noel Ryder, and stepchildren, Sonya Springs, Eddie Zapata, Angela Zapata, Margaret Zapata, Olga Zapata Reed, and Donna Zapata Harris. Also, grandchildren, nieces, and a host of friends.

A celebration of his life will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church at 3pm on Friday, April 23, 2021. Flowers and donations may be sent to Trinity United Methodist Church at PO Box 16, Darlington, SC 29540.

Services have been entrusted to Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home of Darlington.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at [www.kistlerhard.eefuneralhome.com](http://www.kistlerhard.eefuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **23**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
126 Pearl St  
Darlington, SC 29532

# Tribute Wall

DR

“ John you will be truly missed! You and Barbara were amazing! I hope you brought a Pepsi with you! We love you!

Denise Ruckey - April 26, 2021 at 11:01 AM

DA

“ I'm sorry for your loss !

Devion Amerson - April 23, 2021 at 03:43 PM

SG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you grieve the loss of your loved one, John. We are blessed to have known him, and we shall miss him and his cheerful presence during church.

Sam and Nora Grant - April 23, 2021 at 12:39 PM

JR

“ I met mr. Rider about a year ago he was such a friend to me always had time to sit down and talk he was a very respected man I will miss him so dearly from the bottom of my heart

Jackie Roscoe - April 22, 2021 at 11:09 PM



“ On behalf of Singletary Auto Repair, we send our thoughts, prayers and sincerest condolences to Mr. Ryder's family during this time of grief. He was a gentle and kind man. He used to bring Lady up here to see us, and then the new dog when he got him. He will surely be missed.



Rebecca Kelly - April 22, 2021 at 04:38 PM