

William Carl Coleman

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William Carl Coleman, 85, of Buies Creek died Wednesday at Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. He was the son of the late William Lawrence and Blanche Bolton Coleman. Mr. Coleman graduated from Lillington High School in 1936 and continued his education at Campbell College. In 1944, he began working in insurance and financial accounting for the U.S. government and also the private sector. In 1955, he began his lifelong career in real estate, building his own company, known today as Coleman Real Estate and Insurance.

Mr. Coleman was active in the Fayetteville community for many years as a Little League baseball coach, member of the Fayetteville Exchange Club and attended and taught Sunday school at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church. In 1968, he moved to Harnett County and was quickly recruited by the Bunnlevel Ruritan Club where he remained a lifetime active member. He was a member of the Presidential Board of Advisors for Campbell University and in 1955 was honored as a distinguished alumni.

He was an active member of Memorial Baptist Church, serving on various committees and as a trustee for the Memorial Baptist Church Growth Endowment Fund. He was an avid and competitive golfer.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Baptist Church in Buies Creek by Dr. David Whiteman. Burial will be at Harnett Memorial Park in Lillington.

Survivors include his wife, Jewell Arnold Coleman; sons, William "Butch" Moffitt and wife Linda of Illinois, Ronnie Coleman and wife Edie of Fayetteville; a daughter, Betty Jo Garvin of Fayetteville; a stepson, Jeff McDonald and wife Martha of Apex; sisters, Peggy Norton of Fayetteville, Doris Langdon of Bunnlevel and Margaret Coats of Garner; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home in Lillington and other times at his home. Memorials may be made to Memorial Baptist Church Growth Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 485, Buies Creek, N.C. 27506; or to Campbell Divinity School, c/o Campbell University, Buies Creek, N.C. 27506.