



Robert Calvin Kirkpatrick

February 21, 1931 - February 9, 2019

Robert Calvin Kirkpatrick, 87, died Saturday, February 9, 2019, at Atrium Health - Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, NC following a brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife of 23 years, Norma (Lippert) Kirkpatrick; his daughter, Debra Arney and

husband Patrick Arney; his daughter, Lucynda Kirkpatrick; two grandchildren, Caraline Arney, and

Lauren Arney; his sister-in-law Emily (Melton) Kirkpatrick; four stepchildren; fifteen step grandchildren; six step great-grandchildren and many close friends. He was preceded in death by

his first wife, Betsy (Silverstein) Kirkpatrick and his brother, Milo Kirkpatrick, Jr.

Born on February 21, 1931, in Asheville, NC, the son of Milo Orton Kirkpatrick and Zeitha (Patterson) Kirkpatrick, he moved to Charlotte, NC at an early age and lived in the area for the

remainder of his life.

Mr. Kirkpatrick received a degree in Music from the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of

North Carolina at Chapel Hill, then served in the United States Army for two years. He returned to

the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and received a second degree in Business. Later, he

earned a post-graduate degree in Business Administration at Appalachian State University located in

Boone, NC.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was a business instructor and the registrar for Kings Business College in Charlotte,

NC until his family sold the school in 1971. For more than 20 years, he served with distinction in an

executive role for the W.K. Hile Company in Matthews, NC (also known as Hile Equipment Company, HECO). He was also a Charter Member of the Charlotte East Rotary Club.

Mr. Kirkpatrick had a true passion for God and music. He was a deeply devoted long-term

member

of his church, Christ Covenant Church in Matthews, NC. He was kind, thoughtful, intelligent, giving, and an ethical and spiritual role model to his friends and family, and he exhibited a unique combination of positive, patient and caring “midwestern” pragmatism and wisdom that guided him throughout his life.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, February 15, 2019, at 2:00 pm at Christ Covenant Church

in Matthews, NC, with a private burial. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to Christ

Covenant Church of Matthews.

Cemetery

Forest Lawn East
3700 Forest Lawn Drive
Matthews, NC, 28104

Events

FEB	Service	02:00PM
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Comments



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Calvin Kirkpatrick.



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“ Lynn, Pat and Larry Sprinkle purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert Calvin Kirkpatrick.



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