



Richard Dean Ratcliff

February 29, 1932 - August 2, 2025

Richard Dean Ratcliff of Shallotte, NC and formerly of Wilmington, NC passed Saturday August 2nd, 2025.

He was born in Scioto County, Ohio on February 29, 1932, to the late Everett and Nettie Ratcliff. He was preceded in death by his wife Dolores Ratcliff.

Richard retired, living in Shallotte, NC after years of service in route sales and later in residential general contracting.

Richard was a member of Sharon Methodist Church in Holden Beach and is survived by his daughter Dena Ratcliff Beard of Wilmington, NC; two sons, David J. Ratcliff and wife Sandra of Wilmington, NC, and Richard D. Ratcliff Jr. and wife Deborah of Riegelwood, NC; brother Frank Ratcliff and wife Nancy of Columbus, Ohio; sister Anna Faye Atkins of Columbus, Ohio; brother and sister-in-law Ken and Gloria Larson of Calabash, NC; sister-in-law Peggy Lewis of Wilmington, NC; sister-in-law Brenda White of Loris, SC; six grandsons, David Beard, Trey Ratcliff, Wesely Ratcliff, Taylor Ratcliff, Carson Ratcliff, Casey Ratcliff; and seven great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life memorial ceremony will be held at Sharon Methodist Church in Holden Beach, officiated by Pastor Brian Simmons Friday August 8th, 2025, at 11:00 AM.

Memorial gifts may be made to Sharon Methodist Church or Lower Cape Fear Life Center.

Tribute Wall



“ *David, my prayers are with you all! I am deeply sorry for your loss.*
Vickie Chavis

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