

## *The Order of Worship*

Prelude	Mr. Tarver
Welcome and Opening Prayer	Rev. High
Worship in Song <b>The Old Rugged Cross</b>	Mr. Caulder
Reflections	Rev. High
Hymn #633 <b>Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory</b>	Congregation
Scripture and Message	Rev. High
Worship in Song <b>It Is Well with My Soul</b>	Mr. Caulder
Closing Prayer	Rev. High
Interment	Peachland Cemetery Peachland, North Carolina

## *Those Leading in Worship*

Rev. Tony High ~ Officiating  
Mr. Ken Caulder ~ Soloist  
Mr. Lee Tarver ~ Pianist

## *Sewing as Pallbearers*

Berkley Blanks  
Jimmy Kiser  
Lee Roy Lookabill  
Bud Ratliff  
Anthony Taylor  
Bobby Usrey

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Bill Bowers           Cary Harrington  
Dusty Horne         John Lorch  
Corey Ricketts       Steve Tarlton

## *The Obituary*

On Monday, August 25, 2025, Mr. Richard Bartow Allen, 68, passed away peacefully at his cabin home in Peachland.

Richard was born December 4, 1956 in Anson County, NC and was a son of the late Thomas Waddell Allen and the late Emma Belle Little Allen. He was a graduate of Bowman High School. He worked in taxidermy following high school to put himself through college and graduated from Wingate University with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

He worked for a number of years with the Wadesboro Police Department as an officer and detective. While employed by Cuddy Farms, he started Allen's Professional Investigations, which has employed many men and women in the area as security officers for businesses in Anson and surrounding counties. In 2007, Richard opened Allen's General Store in Peachland, which later became Allen's Restaurant.

A true servant of the people, Richard served the Town of Peachland as Mayor for 18 years. He also served on the Peachland Zoning Board, the Peachland Cemetery Committee, the NCDOT Board of Transportation, the NC Private Protective Service Board, and the Anson County School Board. Richard was always willing to be supportive of the Town of Peachland and Anson County, as he often sponsored teams and events through Field of Dreams, Anson County Ducks Unlimited, Wadesboro Rotary Club and the Anson County Chamber of Commerce.

An avid outdoorsman, Richard's love for animals and nature started young. As a boy and teenager, he took care of various animals to include snakes, racoons, a fox, an alligator, and deer, to name a few. He went on to obtain his taxidermy license and continued to hunt deer, turkeys, quail, ducks, and rabbits, a love that was passed down to his family. In more recent years, he was a strong supporter of Hands of a Sportsman, and volunteered with the Anson County Hands of a Sportsman Youth Deer Hunt, which was first held at his cabin for youth and individuals with disabilities. This event has grown over the years to be one of the largest events in Anson County for young people.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children, Nicole Steagall and her husband, Travis, and Brian Allen and his wife, Mary Lena; his grandchildren, Emma Steagall, Allie Steagall, and Jacob Allen, all of Peachland; his brother, Tommy Allen and his wife, Debbie, of Monroe; numerous cousins; and a multitude of friends who were like extended family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hands of a Sportsman, 9820 Casor Rd., Salisbury, NC 28146 or to Peachland Cemetery, c/o, Gloria Overcash, 1642 Upper White Store Rd., Peachland, NC 28133.

### *Acknowledgements*

*For all the kindness, you have shown,  
We thank you very much.  
For sympathy in sorrowing days,  
For friendships healing touch.  
With gratitude, our hearts are full,  
Though words cannot convey  
The tender thoughts and thankfulness  
We hold for you today.  
The family of Richard Bartow Allen*

*Richard's family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the caregivers who were a vital part of their daily lives, Betty Jean Bailey, Maggie Bowers, Joyce Cox, Diane Goodwin, Janet Smith, and Debbie Taylor. Also, thank you to the Town of Peachland for being such a big part of his life.*



*A Service of Worship*

*Celebrating the Life*

*of*

*Mr. Richard Bartow Allen*



*10:00 AM*

*Friday, August 29, 2025*

*Peachland Baptist Church*

*79 Clinton Avenue*

*Peachland, North Carolina*