



Charles H. Rhodes

July 18, 1928 - July 28, 2024

Charles H. Rhodes, 96, of Morganton, NC, went to his heavenly home on Sunday, July 28, 2024. He was born July 18, 1928, in Burke County to the late Herman Aquilla and Bertha Whisenant Rhodes. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Lee Kreidt Rhodes and second wife, Shirley Yount Rhodes; daughter, Tricia and son-in-law Lamar Strickland; sisters, Ruth Rhodes Morris and Frances "Boot" Rhodes Childress; and step-son, Nelson Gale.

Charles is survived by his step-daughter, Threna and husband, Larry Whisenant; sister, Carolyn and husband Bill Hamrick; niece, Brenda Ralph; and several step-grandchildren. Charles was a member of Mount Home Baptist Church.

He served as a medic in the US Army while stationed in Germany. For many years, he worked as a construction estimator for Burke Lumber Company, Burke Construction Company and retired from Carolina Shelter. His favorite projects were churches. He enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles and watching and feeding the birds.

The family will receive friends from 1pm until 2pm, Friday, August 2, 2024 at Mt. Home Baptist Church. A memorial service will begin at 2pm in the church with the Revs. Rocky Hartman and Gary Garner officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Hill Cemetery. Military honors provided by the NC National Guard and Caldwell County

Veterans Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Mount Home Baptist Church, 2272 Mount Home Church Road, Morganton, NC 28655, or to North Morganton Baptist Church, 101 View Street, Morganton, NC 28655.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

My name is Karen Clark. My mother was Sue Ledford. She and Charles worked together at Burke construction. They were very good friends and loved going out to eat with the other Burke construction people. He was a very kind soul. Karen Ledford Clark

–Karen L Clark

What a blessing Charles has been to us. We've never met a kinder or more gentle man. We are so glad that God had our paths cross. We felt his love for us and he often shared his appreciation for our service North Morganton Baptist. He is already greatly missed and our memories will be cherished ones.

–Gary & Jacque Garner

Donna and I loved Charles in so many ways. He was a wonderful friend, Christian brother who always had a smile and kind word to everyone. Charles always supported me when I would sing and you could feel how he loved God through his love for others. We will miss you for now, but will see you again my friend.

–David Brown

Deepest sympathy.

–Ann Smith





You are in our prayers and thoughts. Charles was a good neighbor on Shamrock Drive for many years. We will miss him until we meet again.

–Benny & Barbara Childers