



Ruth Branch Murphy

Aug. 11, 1928 - April 29, 2024

Ruth Branch Murphy, 95 of Morganton, NC, died Monday, April 29, 2024.

Born in Yancey County, NC on August 11, 1928, she was the daughter of the late H.R. Branch and Louise Hensley Branch. Ruth was a member of Cross Memorial Baptist Church. She loved the Lord, her church, and her family. Mrs. Murphy retired as a supervisor from Hanes Textiles, and she enjoyed her time at Phifer Wellness Center.

Ruth is survived by her children, Glenda Buss (Wally) and Mike Murphy (Regina); great-grandchildren, Thomas and Tyler Hollifield; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Ottis Murphy; grandson, Larry Hollifield; three brothers; and four sisters.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at Cross Memorial Baptist Church. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. in the church with Dr. Jeffrey Beach officiating. Burial will follow in Burke Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cross Memorial Baptist Church, 650 Enola Road, Morganton, NC 28655 or to Amorem Hospice, 902 Kirkwood Street, NW, Lenoir, NC 28645.

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

Tribute Wall



Our deepest condolences to the Murphy Family

—Jean and Byron Dotson

Glenda, Wally, Mike, and Regina I am so sorry to hear about Ruth's passing. She was a special lady who will be missed by many. She holds a special place in my heart as we shared many years of fond memories!

—Jennifer Hollifield



—Anonymous

Mike & Glenda and family, I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort and peace during this difficult time for all of you. Love & Prayers In Christ, Sharon Carswell Curtis Prov. 2:5 & 6

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I'm a housekeeper at College Pines and was so blessed by getting to meet Ms. Ruth! She was such a humble woman! A true blessing from God! My thoughts and prayers are with all of the family!

–Melissa Brank