



*Avery Ervin*

**Jan. 21, 1938 - Jan. 19, 2024**

Avery Ervin, 85, of Morganton, NC passed away on Friday, January 19, 2024. He was born on January 21, 1938 in Wilkes County to the late JY Ervin and Edith Hemric Ervin. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Morganton. Avery retired from the state of NC after 37 years of service and was a recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine award. He was very involved with the Democratic Party. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids. Avery was a Godly man as well as a very trustworthy man.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy "Dottie" Carswell Ervin.

He is survived by his son, Chris Ervin (Lisa); daughter, Paige Nance (Jason); grandchildren, Braxton Ervin, Kourtney Ervin, and Brennen Nance; and a number of extended family.

The family will receive friends from 12-2pm on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral will begin at 2pm in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home with Rev. Justin Cunningham and Pastor Braxton Ervin officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Memorial Park. Honors will be provided by the NC National Guard and the NC Department of Corrections.

In lieu of flowers, memorials contributions may be made to Amorem Hospice.

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

# Tribute Wall



—Bridgette Johnson



I was a housekeeper for Avery where he was living He was so fun to talk to I will miss him so much For his family I'm sorry for his loss.

—Catie Waymaster

To The Ervin family, We are very sorry for your loss. I'm proud to have known such a kind and God loving person. I'm so sorry we can't be there today. I have a feverish infection and I would not want to spread it around. Please let family know we are keeping all of you in our prayers. Lovingly, Bill/Roberta Williams

—Bill/Roberta Williams



—Amy Dixon

Worked with Avery as a State Probation Officer in Morganton in 1971..He taught me so much. I enjoyed spending time with him.. He was a wonderful man. I had much respect for him..

—Stephen Lowe

My condolences to the family. My god grant you peace, comfort, and grace, in knowing that he is in heaven celebrating with Dottie, family, and friends.

—Alan Byrd

Paige, Jason, Brennen & Family, Even when the hurt runs deep, God's love runs deeper. Sometimes in the saddest hours, we can't do anything but put our hand in His. Feel Him leading you now and know that no matter what, you are His. We have you in our thoughts and pray that the Lord will provide during this time of sorrow and always.

—Susan Gordon



—Shirley Parker



—Leslie Dixon





—Angie

I enjoyed getting to know Avery while working for the Burke County Democrats. He was fun, kind, helpful, and a friend to all. I'll miss him.

—Karen Linkous



Sorry for the earthly loss of your father. I am grateful to have known him and thankful for his contributions to the community.

—Jacqueline C. Kanipe