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Bernard "Bernie" Pierce

Sept. 14, 1946 - Sept. 27, 2025

Bernard "Bernie" Pierce, 79, of Morganton, NC passed away on Saturday, September 27, 2025. He was born on September 14, 1946 in Michigan to the late Bernard C. Pierce and Dorothy Baker Pierce. He was the Plant Chairman for two forging plants at Ford Motor Company where he was known for being a fierce leader and a great friend. Bernie loved his family especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed playing golf and was always ready to help others including his friends and neighbors.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Diane Pierce; brother, Mick Pierce.

Bernie is survived by his wife of fifty years, Joyce Ellison Pierce; daughters, Kellie Wasielewski (Jason), Deanna Burroughs (Alan), and Amber Pierce; grandchildren, Kassie Clymer (Brett), Hailey Ellis (Joseph), Jayme Wasielewski, Tyler Burroughs (Anna), Caden Bailey, Easton Schulz, and Brittany Oaks (Daniel); seven great-grandchildren; brother, Phillip Pierce; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended

family.

No services are planned.

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

Tribute Wall



-Joann Rivera

I am so saddened to hear about Bernie. I will be keeping My Dear Friend Joyce and you children in my prayers. I will carry my memories of our friendship in my heart forever.

-Kathy Burnett

Dear Joyce and family. So sorry and sad to hear about your loss. We remember, fondly the times we spent with you two at your B&B. We will pray for the peace only our Heavenly Father can give. Love you.

-Larry and Carolyn Goforth

-Jenny and Bob Zinn