



*Carrie Roney Bell Lail  
Buff*

**July 14, 1940 - Feb. 16, 2025**

February 16, 2025, on a glorious Sunday afternoon, right about 5:45 pm., Carrie Roney Bell Lail Buff crossed the great divide into eternity.

She was born in Burke County, NC to Bynum Pinkey Lail and Roney Bell Chapman Lail on Sunday, July 14, 1940 at The Old Store House on the family farm. The mid-wife, Mary Chapman, said, Its a girl, and five oclock daylight savings time.

While her birth marked her earthly beginning, and her death the ending, it was the dash in between that tells her lifes story and determined her eternal destiny. The dash was where she loved, lost, rejoiced, mourned, and lived. Her eternal destiny was sealed in August of 1950, at the age of 10, at Big Meetin Time at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. There Carrie bowed her knees at the altar in that humble little country church and accepted Jesus as her savior. All the while, the congregation sang O Why Not Tonight. This was the single most important decision she made in her 84 years. She spent her childhood with her sisters and brothers, working, playing, and worshipping Jesus at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, and living a simple life worth more than a golden dime. She was a lifelong member of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. She started the churchs WMU and choir, and was instrumental in senior lunches for the church. She also taught the ladies Sunday school class.

Carrie began school at Absher Schoolhouse when she was six years old, and graduated from George Hildebran School in 1958. At the age of 15, she met Wayne while drawing water from the well and his pursuit for her heart and hand began. They married on April 21, 1957, and their first child was born two years later. Carrie loved being a Moma and a Momaw. Many holidays were spent around the table laughing and remembering. Her wonderful cookies and cakes were enjoyed by family and friends. She

laughing and remembering. Her wonderful cookies and cakes were enjoyed by family and friends. She was a wonderful homemaker, pressing the creases in their britches, cooking, and canning. Carrie loved to read and was an excellent writer. Her embroidery, sewing, crocheting, and needlepoint were second to none. She loved to garden and share the fruits of her labor. Carrie is survived by her son, Tim Buff (Tracy); daughter, Nancy Vodicka (Scott); grandchildren, Heidi Henson (Jonathan), Bryan Vodicka (Maddie), Aaron Vodicka (Holly), Corey Vodicka (Lily), Amy Bradshaw; great-grandchildren, Tyler Henson, Parker Henson, Cooper Henson, Amelia Vodicka, Isabella Norman, Macy Bradshaw, and Hunter Bradshaw; sister, Edna Brittain; sister-in-law, Shirley Lail; and caretaker, Patty Smith.

In addition to her parents, Carrie was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Buff; and siblings, Lucy Brittain, Russell Lail, Charlie Lail, and Minnie Lou Brittain.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, February 22, 2025 at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. The funeral will be held at noon in the church with Pastor Randy Cook and Rev. Keith Fulbright officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Gilead Baptist Churchs WMU, 4264 Mt. Gilead Church Road, Connelly Springs, NC 28612.

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

#### Visitation

Feb. 22, 2025  
11 a.m. - noon

#### Visitation Details

#### Service

Feb. 22, 2025  
noon

#### Service Details

#### Committal

Feb. 22, 2025

# Tribute Wall

So very sorry about the passing of Carrie prayers and hugs for all

—Eddy and Brenda Huffman



Nancy, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I hope you can take comfort in a lifetime of precious memories. Sue Stevens

—Sue Stevens

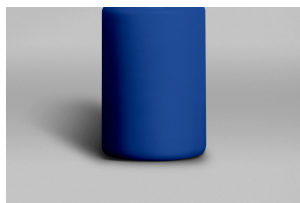
What a saintly and beautiful lady! I already miss her so much! So sorry to the family. Rest in sweet Jesus my dear and sweet friend!

—Linda McIntosh

Aunt Carrie your going to be missed. I grew up with you I spent alot of my days with you and uncle Wayne I learned alot from your cooking and making hot dill pickles you were so close to daddy and momma over the years. I'm going to miss you. I'll never forget you. I know you are with Jesus now and I will see you again someday. I Love You.

—Mark Lail





Carrie had a heart of gold! Rip Carrie I love you!

—Pam lingerfelt

Will be loved and remembered forever

—Darrell Swink

Prayers for all. She was such a special person, and friend . She always liked me as a child when others didn't . She always made me feel I really was worthy to be. For that friendship and kindness. I will always remember. RIP , sweet lady , I ll see you when I see you

—Shoney moses

Tim, we are so very sorry for the loss of your wonderful mother. May God give you strength to get through the days without her. Carrie, will be missed by all those lives she touched. She is now in peace, no more suffering and she's with her beloved Wayne again. God bless you. We love you!

—Glenn and Patsy Wilson