



Cecil Scott Carson

Nov. 4, 1961 - May 2, 2026

Cecil Scott Carson, 64, of Morganton, NC, passed away Saturday, May 2, 2026.

Born in Wake County, NC on November 4, 1961, he was the son of the late Donald Roy Carson and Jean Marie Davis Carson.

Cecil was a veteran of the NC National Guard and retired as a lieutenant from the Burke County Sheriff's Office. He was a faithful member of Foothills Christian Church, where he always greeted every Sunday morning and helped with children's church every Wednesday. Cecil loved the great outdoors. He especially loved to hike and spend time at Grandfather Mountain. Mr. Carson was a loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and friend.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Jannie Lee Eller Carson; daughter, Jodi Carson; son, Dustin Carson (Rachel); grandchildren, River and Lakelyn Carson; step-son, Matt Ingram; step-grandsons, Remington and Harrison Ingram; sister, Donna Carson (Bruce); nieces, Alicia (Chris), Amber, and Sarah; great-nephews, Mason, Benton, Reilly, Dalton, Trenton, and Joe; great-niece, Paris; uncle and aunt, Rufus and Margaret Davis; and numerous cousins and friends.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 to 2 p.m., Thursday, May 7, 2026 at Foothills Christian Church, 211 Lenoir Road, Morganton. The funeral will be held at 2

FOOTING CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 211 LENOX ROAD, MORGANTON. THE FUNERAL WILL BE HELD AT 2 p.m. in the church with Pastor Patrick Bradshaw officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Memorial Park with honors provided by the Burke County Sheriff's Office.

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

Tribute Wall



I was heartbroken to learn of Cecil's death. I have never been in his presence that he wasn't smiling! He was a pleasure to work with when he was a school resource officer. Always polite and a joy to talk to even if he saw me in the grocery store. May God bless his family during this most difficult time in your lives. You remain in my sincere prayers and thoughts.

—Diann Thomas Tate



RIP my brother I will always love you.

—Robbie Powell

We are so saddened to hear of Cecil's passing. He has been our neighbor and friend for many years, our thoughts and prayers are with all who knew and loved him . John and Brenda Kayga

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It saddens me to read about the passing of Cecil Carson. I met him when he came to work for the BCSO several years ago. Later I observed how active he has been with the Foothills Christian Church. Though he did many great things to touch the hearts of people, this is a scene that I remember and how it touched my friend who was ill. He and Pastor Bradshaw brought the youth from the church to visit with her at her residence. They may have even brought her a frosty or something else to brighten her day even more. My condolences to the family.

–Jacqueline C. Kanipe

Praying for strength and comfort during this time of loss. Cecil was a great friend and would help you anytime. He was a great neighbor and loved playing with the kids. There was never a dull moment when he was around. Cecil would have us rolling with laughter.

–Dwenise Davis



–April



We absolutely loved Cecil. He was a delightful man to spend time with. He adored his wife Jannie and always made sure she knew that. He loved to go out to eat and we were blessed to get to go with him, Jannie, and Jeannie almost every Wednesday. We hardly ever went to a restaurant that he did not see some of his special friends. Cecil loved to talk and he was very knowledgeable about just about any topic you wanted to talk about. We pray daily for Jannie that GOD will give her the strength that she will need in the coming years. It was a very short time that we got to know Cecil but we loved him very much.

–Kenneth and Betty Eller

Such a good man friend and brother rest in peace my brother love ya dawg

–Bryan Whisenant



Cecil was a very nice person and a respected individual from his profession. He always greeted us in passing whether it was in the store or just in our neighborhood. It was such a tragic loss for a soul that left this world way too soon. Its so very sad to hear of his passing. My most sincere condolences to the family for your loss. <3

–Michelle Carswell



Our condolences to the family, May you find peace in Christ in the days to come. Our neighborhood will miss Cecil.

–Carol Largent





–Daniel Woodard

A favorite customer at Chic fil la of Morganton. Always had a smile, and up lifting kind words. You are so missed.

–Rita Stinnett



–Judy I Lane Davis



–Richard Branch



Cecil was always so nice whenever I would see him out in the public. My daddy & Cecil were good friends & he would always bring me & my sister Hershey Bars cause he knew we loved chocolate. Then when I had my kids, he would bring them candy whenever he would. stop by my parents house. He was an awesome person. May God rest his soul. Prayers that God wrap his arms around Cecil's family a little tighter & God I pray that you just try to mend their hearts & assure then that Cecil is in heaven watching over each of them Amen Rip Mr. Cecil Carson

–B.Johnson



To my Loving dear friend i worked with you over 20 years. You were always my go to guy when things went bad but

you always had my back and said everything will be ok. We had a special bond that could never be broken and I did and always will love you with all my heart. I could have never ask for a better friendship or mentor than you were always to me I will love you forever and when you looked out for me. God speed for you my brother friend and you will and forever have a special place in my heart. I love you and will never stop loving you because you were always there for me . Rest in peace I would have never turned out the man I was with out you. I love you today and will always love you I thank God for bringing you into my life. Rest peacefully my brother and always remember I loved you like a big brother it's never good by I will see you again and I love you more than any words could ever express. Just know i love you will all my heart and soul , you meant the world to me. I love you brother and please rest in peace.

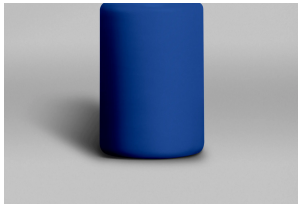
–Robbie Powell

It has been a pleasure to have known you as a friend and as a brother through our lord Jesus christ ,you always greeted people with a big smile and laughter on Sunday mornings and that is truly going to be missed and all your good works that you've done will be so missed by the kids and you will be forever in our hearts

–Patsy and mark



Cecil was a great friend and will be missed by all that knew



him

–Ward Berry

Cecil is one of the kindness persons I know love working with him at Broughton every one loved him Cecil did not die he just changed addresses he is now experiencing all the joy of heaven prayers for all the family and friends

–Eddy and Brenda Huffman

Cecil was one of a kind. I had the privilege to serve with Cecil at BCSO for many years. He always made the day bright. Everyone loved to hear his stories and laugh and joke with Cecil. We had the most memorable time. You truly made a difference in every life you touched my friend. Always your brother in BLUE. Praying for the entire family during this difficult time.

–Lance Foss

I have no words for this tremendous loss of my brother..Big C I love you with all my heart .. always have and always will.. I thank God for giving me a brother who always had my back! I know without a doubt you are finally back with Mom and Dad... I will see you all again until then...please continue to watch over me...Until we meet again.. Donna

–Donna Carson



Sending my condolences to the Carson family I remember him as my DARE officer in 5th grade(2005) he was a great man

–Kimberly Brewer

Cecil, I have so many great memories from working with you. Thank you being a

friend and for always having my back. You made the world a better place and I'm a better person for having known you. Rest in peace, my friend. - Mike

–Mike Longo

Our sincere condolences to the family of our Dear Friend and Brother. Cecil was such a pleasure to work with. He would always go that extra mile to assist in any situation. Heaven certainly gained a true Servant when Cecil heard these words from his Savior "Well done Good and Faithful Servant Enter Thou into the Joy of Thy Lord" RIP Dear Friend.

–Sam and Jan Buckner



Cecil had a kind heart. We lost touch for years then he came by where I was working a couple of years ago. It meant a lot to me.

–Timothy Michaels

Cecil was a great man to be around. I always enjoyed time with him back in the day, and one of the nicest men you could ever meet. Rest in Peace.

–Shannon McLaughlin

Cecil, I still don't even have the words to describe what I'm feeling! You were so loved and will be missed tremendously! Thank you for being the best uncle, friend and mentor. Thank you for always loving Mason like he was your own son. I will forever cherish my many memories. I appreciate you and I will love you forever! Until we meet again, C!

–Amber Allen



Rest in Peace Cecil. You were one of a kind. We will



Rest in Peace, Cecil. You were one of a kind. We are all better off getting to know you.

–Kathy Hemphill



I'll never forget my Dare class that he did in the 5th grade, around 2000. I was so scared of the police. He was the first police officer I wasn't scared of. Always kind, and made an impact on my life to stay humble and use kindness to everyone. He made an impact on the life of so many of us kids who are now adults. Rest easy and thank you!

–Carrie Saulman

Cecil was such a great guy! When I was two, my parents bought the house across the road from him and his parents. He had chickens and would always let me play with them. Later in life he worked with my uncle, Jim Smith, at the sheriff's department. Cecil always took time to say hello when you saw him out in public. He helped me and worked many kids and church events, teaching little ones about the sheriff's department.

–Mandy Smith Hice



Cecil's heart was pure gold. Love and prayers for family.

–Tony & Doris Thompson

You were more than just an uncle...you were a guiding light and a source of inspiration! Your infectious laughter and warm smile brightened even the gloomiest days. Rest easy big uncle C I love you always and forever

–Sarah Bame

–Eddie Prewitt

Well done, thou good and faithful frien! RIP. ALWAYS A SMILE FOR EVERYONE AND A HELPING HAND!

–Glenda Truax

Cecil was one of the nicest officers ever, and so cheerful and kind. In 1999, Cecil and Bobby Joe Johnson went with the All America City group to Philadelphia. They were very impressive, and contributed a lot to working with the kids. I'm sorry to hear of his passing.

–Debbie Bradley



Cecil was like a big brother and was so good to me and to everyone else he worked with at BCSO. He made a positive difference every single day. Prayers for his family, friends, and past co-workers from BCSO and Broughton. The world has sadly lost a hero while heaven has joyously received an angel. Rest easy my "brother" Cecil.

–Renee C. Carswell

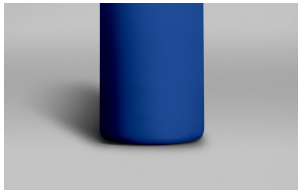


Cecil, you will be missed. Your smiling face and great stories. I'm so glad I was about to see and talk to you recently. Go rest high on that mountain. Prayers are with all the family. God Bless you all during this difficult time.

–Frances Curry



Sincerest condolences to an amazing man I've had the privilege of knowing since I was a small kid. Hate to hear of



his passing, but Heaven gained a good one! I'm sure he is celebrating big with Jesus.

–Tiffany M



Rest In Peace Brother. Know you are loved and missed. I look forward to seeing you in Heaven . Prayers for the family

–David Stikeleather

–Wanda Stacy

Cecil was always the jolliest person no matter where you run into him! He will truly be missed by all who knew him! Praying for comfort and peace only God can give during this difficult time!! RIP friend!! Love and hugs to the family!!

–Carolyn Stamey

So very sorry to hear about Cecil. He was a kind and thoughtful man. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. James and Sharon Carlton

–Sharon H Carlton



–Jared Callahan

