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Charles "Dave" Beck

Sept. 18, 1940 - Aug. 7, 2022

Dr. Charles David "Dave" Beck, 81, of Morganton, North Carolina, went to his heavenly home on August 7, 2022, surrounded by his family, singing his favorite hymns. Born on September 18, 1940 in Haywood County, he was the son of the late Charles Leonard and Susie Arrington Beck.

Dave received undergraduate degrees from Mars Hill College and Furman University and Master's and Doctoral degrees from UNC-Chapel Hill. He was a lifelong Tar Heel fan!

Having served the State of North Carolina for over 50 years, Dave was presented the Order of the Longleaf Pine in 2015. He began his career at Western Carolina Center, where he worked for 37 years in various administrative roles. After retiring from WCC, he began a 19 year tenure at the North Carolina School for the Deaf.

Dave was an active member and Sunday school teacher at First Baptist Church of Morganton. He served many people and touched many lives by volunteering for various organizations in his community including Burke United Christian Ministries, Mimosa Christian Counseling Center, United Way, History Museum of Burke County, Burke County Public Schools, NCSD, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center, State Employees Credit Union and Calvary Baptist Church.

Dave enjoyed playing baseball and tennis and treasured time golfing with friends at Mimosa Hills. He was known for his love of cars, especially Mercedes-Benz.

His family meant the world to him, and he leaves behind precious memories and stories shared throughout the years. He is survived by his wife, Angela Beck;

daughters, Heather Lueft and husband Michael, Jenny Beck and Lori Beck; grandchildren, Patience Giron and husband Josh, Kinsey Benton, Ella and Isabel Lueft, Lily Kate and Easton Rice; great-grandchildren, Jasley “Little Beck“ and Paisley Giron; sisters, Teresa Clarke and Deanna Jaugstetter (Pat) and their children.

A celebration of life will be held at First Baptist Church Morganton on Sunday, August 21, 2022 at 4 p.m. with the Dr. Thomas A. Bland, Jr. and Dr. Woodrow E. Busch Jr. officiating. The family will receive friends prior to the service beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the adjoining Kistler House.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Assure the Future (JIRDC) or NCSD at Morganton Foundation.

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

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Miss you Favi

–His granddaughter Lily Kate



We miss Dave in our daily life but as we always think of him as a fun and kind father, father-in-law amd grandpa he is with us all the time and will never be forgotten.

–Michael Lueft



I miss him so much and I know my life will never be the same without him but he was an amazing grandpa and it was amazing to have him as a grandpa and I hope he is jumping off roofs in heaven rip Favi

–Lily Kate/ his granddaughter

My Condolences on the Death of Mr. David Beck to his Family, Friends and those who worked at his Law Firm. I had the pleasure to work at Fulbright and Jaworski during the 70's and early 80's. He was such a pleasant person to be around. I was elected to work as the Floor Receptionist when we were growing and had to open additional floors across the street from the main building on Travis. I was also

invited to meet my co-worker's Aunt, the receptionist, I saw Mr Beck and Mr. Redden and a secretary I met at Fulbright named Susan. I am so sorry for the loss of Mr. Secrest too. Those two can carry on up in Heaven. Mr. Beck told me he was studying to be a Catholic Priest. He would have made a great Father David Beck.

–Maria Doody



Enjoyed the many years we worked together at JIRDC. Know your family misses you very much.

–Jerry Reynolds