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Delores Jean Young Curfman

March 16, 1933 - March 24, 2026

Delores Jean Young Curfman, 93, of Morganton, NC died Tuesday, March 24, 2026.

Born in Bedford, PA on March 16, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Frank Storey Young and Edna Viola Dean Young. Delores married Carl Curfman in Saltillo, Pennsylvania on July 18, 1954.

Delores' life was about family-not just her immediate family but all the people she treated like family. When her husband went from being a farmer to a pastor, they came to her for her caring, her wisdom and her kindness. While he was teaching at Bible School, many of the students became her children and she gave them love and cookies. Delores was very artistic, she crocheted, embroidered, quilted, and sewed. She loved baking cookies and cakes for family and friends. She loved color, flowers in her garden, butterflies and hummingbirds. Most of all she loved babies.

Delores is survived by her children Patricia Ballas (Denny), Carl Curfman, Jr., Ruth Curfman, Dean Curfman (Lynn), Dennis Curfman (Kathy), Pete Curfman (Chris), and Donna Fleeger (Donald); grandchildren, Jessica Forrey, Julia Ballas, Jennifer Curfman, Billy Howel, Sam Curfman, Shane Curfman, Daniel Curfman and Donnie Fleeger; great-grandchildren, Elizabeth, Audrey, and Addison Thuemmler, Yory Davis, Ava and Ty Forrey, Katerine and Sophia Bowen, Cole Smith, Harper Curfman, and Mia, Chance,

and Scout Curfman; sister JoAnn March; special extended family members-Sue and Steve Greenhill and their children Sara, Emily and Clair and Petrona, Soledad, and Jose Angel Marcos and Jessica Martin; and numerous nieces, nephews, and other extended family.

In addition to her parents, Delores was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Curfman; and sixteen siblings: Lewis Young, Marie Simmers, Ralph Young, Helen Calhoun, Dottie Dixon, David Young, Madolynne Medek, Cloyd Young, Frank James Young, Anna Fleck, Florence McCoy, Russell Young, Donald Young, Lester Young, Jack Young, and Sarah Barnett.

A Celebration of the life of Delores will be held in Pennsylvania later this year.

Memorials can be sent to VIA Hospice at Levine & Dickson Hospice House-Wendover, 953 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150.

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

Tribute Wall



My prayers are with the Curfman family. I know some of these people and I really hope that you guys are ok. Anyone who's affected by the death of a loved one, especially anyone who reads these words, don't push through by yourself. You will always have people here to talk to and trust.

–Willow D Kelly



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Dean and entire Curfman family, So sorry to learn of your mothers passing. Rest assured she is resting in the arms of her Lord and Savior. Please accept my sincere condolences.

–Bruce Carpenter

She was my dear friend and I will miss her she was an active member of our Sunday school class for many years. I am so sorry for your loss.

–penny Helton



Such a sweet lady. The best neighbor ever.

–Teresa