



Faye Elizabeth Dale
Ross

May 3, 1927 - May 2, 2026

Faye Elizabeth Dale Ross, 98, of Morganton, NC, passed away Saturday, May 2, 2026.

Born in Burke County, NC on May 3, 1927, she was the daughter of the late W. E. Dale and Ira Dale.

Faye was a 1944 graduate of Morganton High School and then graduated from Western Piedmont Community College. She was a member of Burkemont Baptist Church for 87 years, where she had served as children's Sunday school teacher, children's choir director, and senior adult leader. Mrs. Ross was also heavily involved in the Salem Community through the Salem Extension Homemakers, Salem Girl Scouts, and many organizations at the Salem school.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children, Garland Ross (Billie), Diana Berry (Johnnie), and Dale Hester; grandchildren, Renee Leonhardt, Angie Ross, Trista Tellier, Jenny Maczko, Haven Woolery, and Brandon Berry; seven great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents, Faye was preceded in death by her husband, Truett Ross.

The family will receive friends from 10 to 11 a.m., Saturday, May 9, 2026 at Burkemont Baptist Church. The funeral will follow at 11 a.m. in the church with Rev.

Dr. Eddy Bunton and Dr. Luke Lane officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Joy Class at Burkemont Baptist Church, 4668 Burkemont Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

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

Tribute Wall



To our Grandmother! Who's a gift from the LORD! Her hands, worn yet gentle, carried the weight of generations. In her stories, we, found courage; in her embrace, we found home. She taught us love in the simplest gestures- a warm meal, a kind word, a quite strength. To our grandmother, our guiding star, we hope your day is blessed with love and joy and that you know the lives you've touched would never be the same without you. Thank you for everything. Happy Heavenly 99th birthday. Forever and always, with all our love. Your Grand and Great Grandchildren

—Renee Leonhardt



Dear Angie and family, I am deeply sorry for your loss. Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the passing of your grandmother. While I didn't have the privilege of knowing her personally, it's clear through the kindness and character of your family and the photos that she was a remarkable woman. My thoughts are with you and your loved ones during this difficult time. May you find comfort in cherished memories and the support of those around you. ~ Elizabeth Ann Ross Sansone

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I loved Faye.... She always had a great time on Fridays at the Beauty Shop .. came early to just talk to all the ladies .. she will be missed but she will always be in your Hearts . I know my Mom was waiting inside the gates for Faye and I know they are catching up on Talking ! May Gods loving Arms comfort each of you in the days ahead .. she was loved by all .. Diane Steve Rhodes

–Diane Rhodes

My thought and prayers go out to the family. I will truly miss Faye. I am so glad our paths crossed. It was a joy to get to know her. Until we meet again.

–Dana Sain



I'm very sorry for your loss. I have been friends with Truett and Faye Ross for so many years. Mrs. Ross and I exchanged cards every year for a long time. I will miss Faye Ross.

–Nelson Walker

Garland honey I'm sorry to hear about your mom. Please know I'm sending my prayers hugs and love to you and your family. I miss you and hope as well as you can , you are ok. Love always Patti Gallion (Allison's Family Restaurant)

–Patti Gallion Reed

Dale, im so sorry to see the passing of your mother. I did not know her but wanted to let you know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Betsy Johnson

–Betsy Johnson





–Peggy Wilson



My thoughts go out to the family. I am so sorry for your loss. I cherish the lovely memories I have of Miss Faye. She will be greatly missed.

–Amy Walker