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Jane Crouch

Jan. 2, 1931 - Dec. 31, 2023

Jane Crouch, 92, of Morganton, NC was called to her Heavenly home on December, 31, 2023. She was born on January 2, 1931 in Guilford County to the late George Washington Stephens and Mary Richardson Stephens. As a devoted member of First United Methodist Church of Morganton for over 70 years, Jane served in many capacities, including 3rd grade Sunday school teacher, youth counselor, member of the Board of Churches, member of the committee to organize a young adult Sunday School, President, Teacher, and active member of the Aldersgate Sunday School Class for 65 years, President of the UMC Women, and Chair of the Bereavement Committee. Jane also served as Regent and Vice-Regent of the Quaker Meadows chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Treasurer of the Jr. Women's Club, Lt. Governor of Ladies Optimist Club of Western N.C. District, a Grace Hospital volunteer, and member of the Pilot Club.

Jane worked for the Burke County Department of Social Services for 32 years as an administrative assistant, retiring in 1994. She grew up in Wilmington, NC but moved to Durant, OK after the 9th grade where she finished high school and completed college courses at Southeastern Teachers College. She then moved to Morganton in 1950 where she met and married her husband, Clarence, in 1952. Jane and Clarence

1950 where she met and married her husband, Clarence, in 1952. Jane and Clarence enjoyed many years together with their friends in Morganton playing bridge, dancing, and socializing. She was an avid reader and enjoyed baking, flower arranging, needle work, and sewing. Intensely devoted to God, her husband, and her family, Jane's children described her as a one-of-kind incredible matriarchal woman.

In addition to her parents, and husband, Jane was preceded in death by her twin brother, Billy Stephens; half-brothers, Wiley Stephens, and Ernest Stephens; and grandson Curtis Baker.

Jane is survived by her children, Ronald Crouch (Tia), Beverly Crouch Lyons (David), and David Crouch (Debbie); grandchildren, Austin Crouch (Clarissa), Madison Swaim (Trey), Bryan Triebert, Duncan Triebert, Aleigh Miranda (Marvin), Nicholas Huston-Lyons, Isaac Crouch, Samuel Crouch (Jerrica), Callie Crouch Moore (Daniel), and Brandon Baker; great-grandchildren, Isabella, Olivia, Jacob, River, Florence, Breanna, Anna, Austin, Scarlett, Sawyer and Hattie; great-great-grandchildren, Eleanor and Madelyn; half-sister, Susie Edwards and half-brother, Roy Stephens.

A memorial service will be at 2pm, Sunday, January 21, 2023 at First United Methodist Church of Morganton with Rev. Dana McKim officiating. The family will receive friends following the service in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Inurnment is private.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church of Morganton, First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, NC or to South Mountain Children's Home.

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

Tribute Wall



Beverly, Ronald, David, Isaac and the rest of the family I was so very sorry to learn of your mother and grandmothers transition from this plain to reward. When I looked at her photograph, I could see where all you all's goodness came from. I had planned on attending her memorial service but unfortunately, I was unable. However, I wanted you all to know that you were and still are definitely in my prayers for healing, strength and comfort as you face these difficult days ahead.

–Ruth Roseboro

God bless Jane & Clarence. Crouch. My Jo Baird has been reunited in heaven with her faithful Friend

–Bruce Baird



Ron, Bev and David, I am sorry for your loss. The kindness and warmth Jane showed me is still with me today. When passing through Morgantown I loved visiting with Jane. She and I would sit in the back room and chat endlessly. What a great woman, who took time for others through her church work and volunteering. She will be missed. Prayers and love to the entire extended family. Jimmy Shell

–Jimmy & Theresa Shell

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Dearest Sweet Callie, I know your heart is broken right now and rightfully so. Let me share with you, our time in Eternity is SO much more than this tiny spec we share together here on this side of Heaven. Live your life as your sweet grandmother showed you and always allow others to see Jesus in your life! I know I saw Him in you, when we met. Talk to you soon. I promise to be praying you through this difficult time. Betty

—Betty Beach Cloutier



—Cathy Cottrell Hill



Crouch family So sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. She raised sone great children..my prayers are with u.

—Roger Austin Hart

Dear Family. Our sympathies on the passing of Jane! Tom's parents (Earl & Rosie) talked about their friendship over the years, church and playing cards in their respective homes. I worked with Jane and Clarence on several church committees. They were lovely people, kind, generous and loving! They leave a wonderful legacy at First Methodist and in the community! Please know we are thinking of you as you move forward without you mother. We miss her presence! Blessings, Tom and Nancy Brown

—Nancy Ferguson Brown

In loving tribute to Jane Crouch, may her memory shine as brightly as her spirit did in our hearts.

—Clarissa Crouch

Jane was such a fine lady and will be sorely missed.It was my good fortune to know and work with her for several years. RIP sweet friend!

—Glenda Truax

Your mother was my mentor and friend when I worked at DSS many years ago. She was also an inspiration. I know your family won't be the same without her. Prayers for comfort for you

—Donna McClellan

One of the nicest ladies I've had the privilege to meet. Always a pleasant smile and complementary word for everyone. Jane will be missed.

—Laura McCoy

Jane was such a special lady. She was so talented and gracious. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

—Ron and Annelle Mulwee

David/Debbie, the family and friends. Heaven has gained a saint. I am prayerful that you are able to navigate the grieving process. My sincere condolences.

—Wayne Giese

Dearest Bev, Ron and David, I'm so, so sorry for your loss. Jane was such an incredible lady and will always be a vivid part of my childhood memories….church, scouts, school plays - anything we kids were into at the time. My heart and prayers are with each of you and your families. Sending you love

and peace. Ruth

—Ruth Riddle Jones



Our sincere condolences to the entire family.

—Bob Park