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Joann Byrd

March 25, 1941 - May 13, 2023

Joann “Maw Maw Jo Jo” Byrd, 82, of Morganton, NC passed away, Saturday, May 13, 2023. Born on March 25, 1941, she was the daughter of the late Thomas and Elva Burnette. Joann was a member of Salem United Methodist Church and was a leader in the Reading Buddy Club. She loved babysitting children and she loved cats. Joann was the sweetest, most caring woman to be around.

Joann is survived by her husband, Alan Byrd; son, Gregory Byrd; daughter, Lisa G. Mauney (Bill); grandchildren, Eddie Mauney (Natalei) and Lindy McNeely (Derek); great-grandchildren, Caydence Robinson, Attleigh Mauney, Memphis Mauney, Tipton Braswell; brother, Lynn Burnette (Elizabeth); and a number of extended family.

The memorial service will be held at 1:00pm on Friday, May 19, 2023 at Salem United Methodist Church with Rev. Norm Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will greet friends after the burial in the fellowship hall of the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Methodist Church

Church.

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

Tribute Wall

One of the finest ladies I've ever know. Thank you all you did for my mother and cousin. You can't imagine what a huge help you were. That was your nature. I'm sure you are whole and in heaven. Your trials on this earth are over.

–Jody York

To: Alan and Family We are saddened by the loss of Joann. We are grateful to have known such a delightful and special and person. With Deep Sympathy from you friends, Rex and Nina Carpenter

–Nina L Carpenter



So sorry for the family. You are all in my prayers. Love is with you and please let me know if there is something I can do to help your family at this time!

–Carole Mull

I am so sorry Byrd. Joann was such a wonderful loving person I am so grateful to have known. My deepest sympathies for you, your children and grands. Always, Marchalle

–Marchalle Causby





Praying for the family. Susan Jones

—Susan Jones



Alan & Family, Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss. Joann was one of the sweetest people I've ever known. She always treated me with much kindness. I will always remember her as a good friend.

—Penny Fox



Lindy and family, Please know my prayers are with each of you. Love you

—Gena Esau

Alan and Family, So sorry for your loss, but we know it is heaven's gain. My prayers are with you. I know she will be missed by many until we see her again. Jerry DuVall

—Jerry DuVall



I am so sorry for your lost of your wife she was a good lady around the firehouse during our annual Christmas party at Salem fire & rescue station #74 she was a good Baker of dessert for the Salem fire & rescue station #74 she will be missed in the Salem community

—Jonathan Kirk

Alan, we are saddened to learn of the passing of your sweet wife. We will pray for you and your family during this most difficult time, that God will bless you with His peace and comfort.

–Ralph Long

Alan and family, you are in my thoughts & prayers. Joann was such a sweet & special person that I know you have many good memories. I am so sorry for your loss. Betty Rose Mackie

–Betty Mackie



I love you Mawmaw.

–Tipton Braswell

MawMaw will forever be in our hearts. She was one of my saints! Wonderful woman who meant so much to so many.

–Dana Honea



Alan and family, you have my deepest condolences. Along with Joann, you've been in my prayers for some time and will continue to be.

–John Walker

Alan and family, I am very sorry that Joann has passed. The few times I was around her, I knew she was a sweet person, very likable. She will be missed but I always say the Lord knows best. My sympathy. Reba P Reece

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Sorry for your loss. Joann was a wonderful women. Praying for your family.

—Carol McMahan Crump