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Joyce Dale Rockett Yancey

April 3, 1930 - April 24, 2020

Joyce Dale Rockett Yancey, 90, passed away peacefully at her residence on April 24, 2020, surrounded by her loving family. She was born on April 3, 1930 in Conover, NC, to the late Clyde Hubbard and Zoline Gilbert Rockett of Conover. She was preceded in death by her husband John Alvin Yancey, brothers Bob and Steve Rockett of Conover, and her son Tony Yancey (Carol) of Marion.

Joyce was baptized and confirmed at Concordia Lutheran Church in Conover and attended Newton-Conover High School. She worked as a teacher's assistant at Freedom High School and in the adult GED program at Western Piedmont Community College. Fondly known as Momma Joyce to all who knew her, she was a wonderful homemaker who devoted her whole life to her family. She spent endless hours watching her children and grandchildren play sports and cooking many delicious meals. She was an enthusiastic Tarheel fan and bridge player, and an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Morganton.

Survivors include children John Yancey (Anne), Lana Deal (Gene), Jeff Yancey (Cindy) and Clay Yancey (Liz); grandchildren John Yancey, Jr. (McCall), Catherine Brookes (Kevin), Jackie Jensen (Gary), Robert Yancey (Liz), Shane Nelson (Stephanie), Brian Nelson (Christian), Sam Yancey (Abby), Todd Yancey (Alicia), Rainer Butler, Rhiannon Butler, Lansing Butler; great-grandchildren Caroline Yancey, Claire Yancey, John

Butler, Lansing Butler; great grandchildren Caroline Yancey, Claire Yancey, John Yancey III, Wilson Brookes, John Brookes, Jessica Ketner (Andrew), Jordan Gowan (Nathan), Jaie Jensen, Ben Yancey, Will Yancey, Luke Nelson, Brailey Nelson, Beckett Nelson, Matthew Nelson, Isaac Yancey, Reuben Yancey; great-great grandchildren Ellie Gowan and Sawyer Gowan; and sister Camille Sperati.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

The Yancey family would like to express a heartfelt thank you to Burke Hospice for all of their assistance in keeping Momma Joyce at home as she wanted.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Burke Hospice or First United Methodist Church of Morganton.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.