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Lavenia Mildred Duckworth

Dec. 19, 1928 - March 4, 2023

Lavenia Mildred Duckworth, 94 of Morganton, NC passed away, Saturday, March 4, 2023. Born on December 19, 1928, she was the daughter of the late McCoy and Lois Barrier. Lavenia was a member of St. Matthews United Methodist Church. She worked for Buster Brown and Skyland Textile in the sewing department and Broughton Hospital.

Lavenia is survived by her son, Rev. Terry Duckworth (Jan); grandchildren, Cameron Duckworth (Emily), Casey Duckworth (Amanda); great-grandchildren, Ayla Hernandez, Ivy Duckworth, Colt Duckworth, Gabby Duckworth, Coraline Duckworth.

In addition to her parents, Lavenia is preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Duckworth; brother, Carl McCoy Barrier, Jr.; sister, Hilma Nell Luckadoo.

The family will receive friends from 1pm until 2pm, Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at St. Matthews UMC. The funeral will be held at 2pm in the church with Rev. Lisa Marshall, Rev. Terry Duckworth and Larry Tooley officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthews UMC, 201 Shady Rest Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

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

Tribute Wall

Ms Lavenia was the sweetest kindness heart of a woman I had the pleasure to know/care for. I feel blessed to have known this Godly woman

—Suzy Bernard



Lavenia was truly a “Child of God” She was beautiful both inside & out, a true friend to all who knew her. Lavenia had such a beautiful voice, I know she will be singing with the angels. Ms. Lavenia, I am blessed to have known & loved you. Prayers for your family.

—Penny Fox

I am so sorry to hear that Lavinia passed. She was such a sweet lady who carried herself with such Grace and class. She was a true Christian woman. I am proud to call her my cousin. I’ve always enjoyed visiting her and talking to her. I will miss her loving heart. Praying for Terry and family that God will comfort y’all and give you peace during this time. Love and prayers, Lori.

—Lori Barlow



My heart is truly breaking Ms Lavinia was beautiful both inside and out. You took apart of my heart when you left me but you will forever be in my heart I will miss you my dear loving friend. Sleep in Peace my dear friend



—Sharon

Lavenia was the most precious, sincere Christian woman I have ever been blessed to have known. Her love and devotion to others was beyond any. She loved life and people but above all she loved her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

She never failed to impress me with her genuine love and faith. Her sweet smile and lovely sense of humor I will miss the most. Thank you dear Lavenia for making all those wonderful memories you gave me, they will sustain me as I remember you with smiles, tears and love. Claudia

—Claudia Burkett

A true saint of the church and child of God.

—Tom



—Aneda Johnson

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—GD Helton

—Kim Hoyes