



Leslie Ellen Freeman

May 28, 1967 - July 9, 2025

Leslie Ellen Freeman, 58, of Morganton, NC passed away after a lengthy battle of health issues on Wednesday, July 9, 2025. She was born on May 28, 1967 in Greene County, TN to Nancy Bowman Wilson and the late Kenneth Wilson. Leslie was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother and a devout member of Philadelphia Lutheran Church in Granite Falls, NC. Her care for others showed in her nursing career of 20+ years. She was very dedicated and loved her patients. Leslie will be remembered by all those she worked with. She loved crafting, especially making acrylic crafts. She also loved animals-especially horses, enjoyed attending horse shows with her daughters and she loved her dog Lucy. Leslie loved her trips to Cades Cove with her family. She was considered a jack of all trades, master of noneyet.

In addition to her mother, Nancy Wilson, she is survived by her husband, Wayne Freeman; daughters, Emily Garrison and Rachel Garrison (Kenneth Talley); step-daughters, Candora Clarke, Jana Quick, and Sarah Dodson (Eric); grandchildren, Riley Self, Zylia Goode, Bailey Clarke, Veronica Dodson, Aidan Dodson, Nate Dodson, and Bryant Quick; sister, Alani Curtis (Brian); uncle, Eric Bowman; former husband and father of the children, Bryan Garrison; and a host of extended family and loved ones.

The family will receive friends from 1pm-2pm Friday, July 18, 2025 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral will follow at 2pm in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home with Minister Chris Bass officiating.

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

Tribute Wall



I first met Leslie thru my work at magnolia Lane nursing rehab center in Morganton she was a very sweet and caring person I was glad to have gotten to know her She will be missed by all who that knew and loved her . My prayers go out to her family .

—Teresa Courtney



—Sharon Aiken



I was so shocked to hear of Leslie's passing. I knew her as a child and we reconnected when I cared for her recently. Such a loss! My prayers are with her family at this time.

—Rhonda Petersen



—Alisha Pullen



—Lorenzo Richardson



My condolences to family and friends. Leslie was a wonderful lady. We worked together at Broughton Hospital and she loved her patients. Such a caring nature and amazing coworker. You will be missed by so many. RIP.

—Deb White

I'm so sorry for this great loss for the family. I worked with Leslie at Broughton, Davis and at Grace hospital. Such a wonderful person. Knew how to make me laugh. Go rest high Leslie till we meet again.

—Maxine Coffey



Sorry to hear this about Leslie. I worked with her at Grace Hospital. She was a great person. She loved her nursing job. My prayers go out to the family. From: Rachel Causby Morgan.

—Rachel Causby Morgan



Her presence touched many lives—we honor her memories. Work with her for a few years and truly will always remember her kindness and laugh. My prayers and thoughts are with the family. Rest in peace...

—Michele Marlow

I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you. Shasta Johnson

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Leslie will be missed. I enjoyed working with Leslie.

—Stephanie Lynell Burgess



I worked with Leslie for many years. She was a wonderful person and so much fun! Always had a smile and great sense of humor. I will always remember her kindness and ability to make the worst days a little better for everyone. RIP sweet lady, you left your mark on this earth in a beautiful way!

—Barbara Frost