



Linda Smith Wall

Aug. 6, 1937 - Oct. 13, 2026

Linda Smith Wall, 89, of Morganton died Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at Grace Ridge Retirement Community following a period of declining health.

She was born in Burke County on August 6, 1937 and was the daughter of the late Harold Russell Smith, Sr. and Lolita Oxford Smith Hoyt.

A 1958 graduate of Meredith College in Raleigh, Mrs. Wall was a homemaker with a love for horses and a keen interest in history and archaeology. In addition to being a homemaker, she volunteered with the Morganton Service League and the Quiz Bowl team at Freedom High School, while also serving terms on the Burke County Board of Education and the Western Piedmont Community College Board of Trustees, as well as the Western Piedmont Community College Foundation. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Morganton.

Surviving are her children, daughter Jenner Wall of Charlotte, and son Edward Wall of Morganton, sister-in-law Harriet Smith Proctor (Dean) of Hickory, and nephews Eric Smith (Monica) and Brad Smith (Laurie), all of Charlotte.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Wall was predeceased by her husband of 52 years, Carl H. Wall, Jr. and her younger brother, Harold Russell Smith, Jr. (Bucky).

The family is grateful for the care Linda received at Grace Ridge Skilled Nursing Center, and especially for the love and devotion of her care givers, Berit, Emily,

Teresa, Anita, Ari, and Denise, with special love to Christie who had been with her the longest.

A memorial service for Mrs. Wall will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, October 22, 2026 in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church of Morganton with Rev. Lance Perry and Rev. Dr. Thomas A. Bland, Jr. officiating. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Exploring Joara Foundation, PO Box 296, Morganton, NC 28680 or the First Presbyterian Church, 100 Silver Creek Rd., Morganton, NC 28655.

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

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.