

*Mildred Louise Beck*

*"Nana" Taylor*

**Jan. 15, 1925 - July 1, 2009**

Mildred Louise Beck "Nana" Taylor, 84, of Carbon City Rd. in Morganton went to be with her Loving Lord and Savior on Wednesday, July 1, 2009 after an extended period of declining health. She was born on January 15, 1925 in Morganton, and was a daughter of the late Dwight C. Beck and Velsie Morrison Shepherd and Grady Shepherd. Mildred graduated from Glen Alpine High School, and then attended the Asheville Women's Business College. She married Guy Lawson Taylor (her loving husband of 43 years) on July 28, 1945. Mildred retired from Henredon with over 30 years of service. She was a member of Calvin Heights Baptist Church where Mildred taught Sunday School for 55 years. She also served on several committees and in various capacities within the church. Mildred is survived by her four children, Jay Taylor and wife, Pat of Hilton Head, SC, Bo Taylor and wife, Barbra of Glen Alpine, Connie McFarland, and Beverly Abernathy and husband, Phillip, all of Morganton; seven grandchildren, Travis Taylor and wife, Jaclyn of Taylorsville, KY; Wesley Taylor of N. Augusta, SC, Bo Taylor, Jr. and wife, Tammy of Glen Alpine, Brent Taylor and wife, Meredith of Cary, NC, Kendra Arrowood and husband, David of Valdese, Haze McFarland of Morganton, and Chesley Greer and husband, Eric of Drexel, NC; great-grandchildren, Xavier Taylor, Simon Taylor, Bo Taylor, III, Bryan Taylor, Braeyon Taylor, Abigail Taylor, Colton Arrowood, and Cade Arrowood; a sister, Lois Beck of Statesville, NC; a brother, Wayne R. Beck and wife, Joyce of Inverness, FL; and a number of nieces and nephews. Mildred was a loving daughter, mother, wife, and Nana to all. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Guy

Lawson Taylor. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, July 3, 2009 at Calvin Heights Baptist Church with Rev. Paul Culbertson and Rev. Mark Beck ( Mrs. Taylor's nephew) officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends in the church fellowship hall immediately following the graveside service. At other times, the family will gather at Mrs. Taylor's residence, 604 Carbon

City Rd. in Morganton. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials contributions be made to the Quality of Life Fund, Blue Ridge Health Care Foundation, c/o Grace Heights, 107 Foothills Dr., Morganton, NC 28655 (where Mrs. Taylor spent her final days), or to the Calvin Heights Baptist Church Pew Bible Fund, 107 Calvin Heights St., Morganton, NC 28655. Nicholson Funeral Home of Statesville, NC and Sossoman Funeral Home of Morganton are assisting the Taylor family with arrangements. There is no way that our family can name all the people who have reached out to us with support, prayers, and many comforting words. For everyone who has been faithful with calls and visits or touched our lives and our mother in some way, we are eternally grateful. We would like to express our extra love and gratefulness to the medical profession that personally has taken care of her medical needs. We are extremely grateful to the staff of Family Medical Associates and especially Tracy Chapman who has attended to her for several years with great compassion and love. We are most blessed to have had her final day at Grace Heights Rehabilitation Center. Mother frequently spoke lovingly of each one of you. Your care and love for her and our family will always be remembered and cherished. Although her body was worn and she is no longer with us, her love and smiles will always remain.

# Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.