



*Milford Franklin
Williams*

Dec. 7, 1928 - July 16, 2025

Milford Bob Franklin Williams, 96, of Morganton, NC, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, July 16, 2025.

Born in Burke County, NC on December 7, 1928, he was the son of the late Willie Jacob Williams and Linda Jane Franklin Williams.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children, Ben Milford Williams (Libby) and Roy Franklin Williams (Reba); grandchildren, Joshua Williams, Justin Williams (Lindsey), Kirk Williams (Courtney), and Jesse Williams; great-grandchildren, Ryann, Eli, Ian, Luke, Zachary, Jacob, Royce, Ransom, and Elowyn Williams.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his wife, Joann Ross Williams.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 3 p.m., Sunday, July 20, 2025 at Burkemont Baptist Church. The funeral will follow at 3 p.m. in the church with Rev. Dr. Johnny Ross and Rev. Dr. Luke Lane officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Burkemont Baptist Church General Fund, 4668 Burkemont Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

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

The full obituary will be published once it is available.

Tribute Wall

Uncle Bob was a gentle spirit that reminded me of my dad. At our Easter family gathering, Uncle Bob and my Dad, Robert could be found with a foot on the nearest truck bumper in deep conversation. After my Dad passed in 1999, every time I saw Uncle Bob, he reminded me of that image. Uncle Bob always had that wonderful loving smile on his face. When I heard of his passing, all I could think about is Aunt Joanne welcoming him home at Heavens pearly gate, with her amazing smile. They had two amazing sons that blessed them with their families. Family meant everything to Uncle Bob and Aunt Joanne, I am very glad to be a part of their family!

—Aimee W Marler



We are so sorry for your lost. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family.

—Elaine and Neil Pitts

To the Williams Family: We have lost another of the greatest generation. I am very sorry for your loss and will be thinking of you in the oncoming days. Prayers and blessings to you and your family. Ron and Renee Hindson

—Renee M. Hindson

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I will always remember Uncle Bob as a wonderful and sweet man. He looked just like my dad and his brother, Earl, and had stories to tell. We had many reunions at his house with him and sweet Aunt JoAnn.

—Karen Miller

Uncle Bob was one of the kindest, gentle, and loving gentleman I had the privilege of growing up knowing. Spending time with him, Aunt Joann, Ben and Roy always made for memorable times. Prayers and love for Ben, Roy and their families . We all know he is rejoicing in heaven with his family who went before him.

—Rita Miller