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Myrtle Burgess

Oct. 19, 1933 - Sept. 9, 2023

Myrtle Burgess, 89, of Morganton, NC, was reunited with her family in heaven on Saturday, September 9, 2023.

Born in Caldwell County, NC on October 19, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Lester Paul Webb and Willie Clay Taylor Webb-Setzer.

Myrtle was a lifelong member of North Morganton Baptist Church. She sang in the choir, was a Sunday school teacher, and helped in the nursery. She owned and operated Burgess Daycare for 56 years and cared for over 3 generations of children. She was a member of the Landlord Association and sold Avon for over 30 years. She had also worked in Labor and Delivery at Grace Hospital and at Shadowline.

Mrs. Burgess enjoyed every child that touched her life. In her spare time, she also enjoyed working puzzles, gardening, and canning. She especially loved her roses, among other flowers. She always said she loved her life, family, and everyone in it.

Myrtle is survived by her daughters, Pam J. Burgess (Phillip Campbell) and Sarah B. Morrow (Rick); grandchildren, Keetje Gale, Nicole Gale, Braiden Burgess, Ambrose Duckworth, Dillon Duckworth, and Devin Powell; thirteen great-grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Myrtle was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene “Gene” H. Burgess. daughter, Lynn Gale; son, William E. Burgess; brothers, Buster, Henry, Roy, Jack, and Sonny Webb; and sisters, Mertie Webb and Louise Mathes.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m., Friday, September 15, 2023 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, September 16,

2023 at North Morganton Baptist Church with Revs. Dr. Eddy Bunton, Gary Garner, and Chris Messer officiating. Burial will follow in Burke Memorial Park.

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

Tribute Wall



Such A lovely soul she was my babysitter years ago may she rest in piece PS The NIchols Family

—Alexander Nichols



wow i cant amagin this! she took care of me for years in her daycare im now 19 its heard to belive its been 16 years since the last time i seen here god rest her sweet sole! Nichols Family gives out our condolonces

—Alexander Nichols

I am sorry to find out about Myrtle. My father, John Perkins, Jr. was her 1st cousin and I remember her from all of the landlord meeting. My deepest sympanthy to all of her family!

—Susan Perkins Hudson

You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Aunt Myrtle was the sweetest soul I have ever met.

—Bono Pritchard

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I am so sorry to find out your mother passed away on September 9th. Myrtle was my Mom's 1st cousin. A lovely sweet lady. My condolences to all of the family and friends. Laura Gwyn

—Laura P Gwyn

Myrtle took care of my son for several years. She was loving and always made a point to keep up with what he did in life. She made a huge impact on his life and mine. Prayers for the family at this time of great sorrow.

—Debbie Craig

I'm so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was a special Lady. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

—David Mayhue

I will always remember the day I met Ms Myrtle. She instantly left memories on my heart. Loved driving by and seeing her wish I would have stopped more just to say hello and get a hug. She made me feel so welcome even if I could only stay a minute. Such a special lady. God take care of her til we can meet again..

—Sherry Watts

Dear Family. I loved Miss Myrtle! I visited and taught in her daycare for many summers. She was kind and loving to her children and me. If the truth was known, she probably potty trained most of Morganton! She was always supportive of me and my dental health message. I wish you comfort as you move forward without your dear mother and grandmother. I'm blessed to have know her! Nancy Ferguson Brown, Former Public Health Dental Hygienist

—Nancy Ferguson Brown

My sympathy to all the family, children, grandchildren. Myrtle was a MHS schoolmate...I remember her fondly. God Bless you as you go forward with your

schoolmate....I remember her fondly. God Bless you as you go forward with your precious memories without her. Reba Puett Reece

—Reba Reece

During out short time at North Morganton, we have come to love this precious

lady and her family. She was always such an encouragement to us and our family. Although our time with her was short, it always felt like we had known her forever. She will be greatly missed. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

—Gary & Jacque Garner



Dear family please know that we are praying for each of you. I also will Myrtle so much knowing her thru the Webb family. God is good with much love.

—Jerry & Ruth Pearson



My sincerest condolences for you at this time. You have my deepest sympathy and unwavering support. Wishing you peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow. My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. Ms. Burgess has always held a special place in my heart and she always will. She will be missed but never forgotten!

—Angela Ashley (Wilson)

Pam, I am so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. Sending love and prayers for you and your family.

—Gena Farris

Girls, I am sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. What a wonderful friend she was to my parents, grandmother and everyone at North Morganton Baptist. Sending prayers of comfort to you.

—Lisa Whisenant Sher

I don't know what real angels are supposed to look and act like, but my guess is that Myrtle was definitely a real one among us. I met Myrtle through her nephew

Jack Mathes whom she seemed to love beyond measure. Myrtle was filled with love for everyone she met. Always smiling and had good hugs for me every time we met. She made me feel as special as a princess, I just can't say how much I will miss her. It seemed like when I wanted to visit her, I'd get some kind of bug and not dare to go for fear I'd give it to her, but she always forgave me, and we could talk on the phone a bit. Like I said she was an angel among us. I recall a day when she got in Jack's 1923 T-bucket Roadster and her laughter was so sweet and lovely. There is no way I can put into words all the wonderful trivial things she did that were so special. Sometimes as I did get to visit and watch her with the children, she cared for I could see the love flow from her to the children. She did love every one of them so much. Myrtle Burgess was a one-of-a-kind lady and will be sorely missed by many but what a fantastic addition to God's Heavenly Group. She is home now and happy with her loved ones. I will miss you Aunt Myrtle and I want to say thank you for your love and friendship. My life is better for having known you.

—Janet King

Our prayers are with you all during this time. She was a wonderful nurse and kind, loving human being. In fact she holds a special place in my heart because she delivered my first child!

—Glenda truax/Dane



Heaven is overflowing with angels now, sweet sweet Myrtle, what a difference you made in so many children's lives. But Miss Myrtle, you live on in each and every one of these kids you cared for and loved. Blessings

–JEAN MAYNARD



OMG, Pam I am so sad to hear this, your mama was loved by so many people and families, mine included. My friend, was in your shoes several years ago & there is nothing I can say to ease your pain and suffering, I wish that there was. Just know you can have my shoulder to grieve on if you feel the need, I love you, my friend.

–JEAN MAYNARD



My sincere condolences to the family of Mrs. Burgess. She really loved and cared for her family and daycare children. I taught several of her grands and she was very active in their education and volunteered at Hillcrest in many areas. May God bless each of you during this most difficult time in your lives. You remain in my most sincere prayers.

–Diann Thomas Tate



–Anonymous



We are so sorry for your loss but thank goodness there is a better place where she is rejoicing and no more pain. our thoughts and prayers are with you, Perry and Debbie Franklin

–Debra Franklin





—Payton



Myrtle took care of both of my children and they loved her. She was very good at anything she went to do. We will miss her but she is having a great time seeing all that has done gone. RIP SWEET LADY

—Becky Chapman pendley



Heaven gained a special and wonderful lady. She will be missed dearly. Prayers for comfort and peace to her family. She will forever be in the hearts of all who loved her.

—Kim Cline