



*Oakland Dee Bryant*

**May 20, 1943 - May 8, 2025**

Oakland Dee Bryant, 81, of Burnsville, NC died Thursday, May 8, 2025.

Born in Yancey County, NC on May 20, 1943, he was the son of the late Rexter C. Bryant and Zona B. Haney Bryant. He enjoyed fishing and being outdoors. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Those left to cherish his memory include his son, J.D. Bryant; daughter-in-law, Leslie Bryant; grandchildren, Alissa Norman (Cody), Ally Bryant, Hannah Aldridge, and Haley Aldridge; and great-grandchildren, Sydney and Addison.

In addition to his parents, Oakland was preceded in death by his wife, Esther Phillips Bryant; son, Joseph Bryant; daughter, Mary Bryant Aldridge; brothers, Johnny Bryant, Martin Bryant, Charles Bryant, and R.C. Bryant; and a sister, Lydia Bryant.

The family will receive friends from 12 to 1 p.m., Monday, May 12, 2025 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home with Pastor Brad Browning officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the funeral home to help with expenses.

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

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# Tribute Wall



I love and miss you so much pop's it was a blessing to have had u in my life you are just like My Dad I Will see you again until then I love you

–Melissa laws

We all will miss you Oakland, you were the best person I ever had the pleasure of meeting. I know you are looking down on us smiling. Because you always had a smile for everyone. Rest in peace Oakland I hope one day to see you again

–Brenda