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Samuel "S.J." Mathis

Feb. 10, 1951 - Dec. 5, 2021

Samuel "S.J." Mathis, 70, of Morganton, NC went to his Heavenly home on Sunday, December 5, 2021. He was born on February 10, 1951 in Henderson County, NC to the late William Caryle Mathis and Mary Davis Mathis. S.J. graduated from Salem High School in 1970 and then graduated from Western Piedmont Community College. He coached youth football, baseball and basketball for the Ruritan Club in Salem. He retired from Broughton Hospital and also retired from Burke County Schools as a bus driver. In addition to his parents, S.J. was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Ann Coleman Mathis; brothers, Johnny Mathis, David Mathis, and Van Mathis; sister, Vanessa Mathis.

He is survived by a daughter, Vanessa Mathis; granddaughter, Samantha Mathis; Misty Turner, whom he considered his daughter and Angel Turner whom he considered his granddaughter; brothers, Bobby Mathis (Wanda) and Rev. Douglas Mathis (Debbie); sister, Louise Hamby; sister-in-law, Patrice Mathis; and several nieces and nephews; and grand nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 11:00am – 12:00pm on Friday, December 10, 2021 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral service will begin at 12:00pm in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home.

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

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.sossomanfh.com.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.