



*Shirley Mae Drum
Reece*

Jan. 13, 1945 - Jan. 6, 2024

Shirley Mae Drum Reece, 78, of Morganton, NC passed away Saturday, January 6, 2024.

Born in Burke County, NC on January 13, 1945, she was the daughter of the late Arthur Drum and Cordie Huskins Drum.

Shirley was a member of FAM Church. She retired from Belk Department Store and Carolina Shoe.

Mrs. Reece is survived by her children, Sherry Greer (Jamie Rodriguez), Donna Hudson, and Richard L. Reece; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Reece, Jr.; and a son, Terry Reece.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Saturday, January 20, 2024 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home with Rev. Jerry Rogers officiating. Burial will follow in Abundant Life Tabernacle Cemetery.

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

Tribute Wall

I remember Shirley from the Carolina Shoe Company. She had that sweet smile and feisty spirit. Her eyes would sparkle and shine each time she would smile. I really enjoyed knowing her. Peaceful Journey .

—Teresa Hagler

So sorry to hear of Shirley's passing.

—Bruce Elder



I'm so sorry for your loss. Shirley was a sweet very special lady. I worked with Shirley at Belk and so enjoyed our conversations about our love for Christ. May the comfort of God be with you all knowing you will see her again. This life is but a minute cherish her sweet memories.

—Denise Brank



—Anonymous

Dear family of Shirley !!! Please know how very very special Shirley always was to me and SO many others at First Assembly of God here in Morganton!! She loved

our LORD JESUS and would do whatever was needed to help others , individually or thru our Ladies' Ministry! Shirley was a blessing and loved to have a fun time. Laughter was usually part of any gathering that included Shirley!! May all who

loved Shirley, focus on , “ absent from the body, is to be present with the LORD!” Rejoicing for you, Shirley ! We will be joining you!! Prudy

—Prudy & Dick Greene