



Sylvia Chandler Benfield

Sept. 25, 1942 - Feb. 3, 2021

Sylvia Chandler Benfield, 78, of Morganton, passed away Wednesday, February 3, 2021. Born in Asheville, NC, September 25, 1942, she was the daughter of Betty Chandler and the late JR Chandler. She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Bobby E. Benfield.

Sylvia was known to hundreds of children in Burke County at "Mrs. Sylvia." She sure loved all of her babies!! She started her career in teaching at Skyland Textile Day Care. In the 1970s, she joined Blue Ridge Community Action and setup several daycares throughout Burke County. In the 1980s and early 1990s, she owned and operated Four Seasons Preschool in Morganton.

Sylvia is survived by her mother, daughter, Robbie Nelson (Pete) and son, Tony Benfield (Donna), both of Morganton, NC. She is also survived by her granddaughters, Fallon Benfield of Morganton, NC and Kayla Nelson of Raleigh, NC. Survivors also include sister, Linda Shull (Rex) of Morganton, several nephews and nieces. Also left behind are her precious doggy companions Buttons and Chase.

At her request, there will be no services. Memorials can be made to Burke County Friends for Animals.

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

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.