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# Tommy Taylor

**March 2, 1950 - May 6, 2026**

Tommy Taylor, 76, of Morganton, NC, passed away Wednesday, May 6, 2026.

Born in Burke County, NC on March 2, 1950, he was the son of the late Joseph Robert Taylor and Margaret Taylor Propst.

Tommy was a member of Zion Baptist Church for over 40 years and had served as a greeter and an usher. Mr. Taylor also served for over 30 years in law enforcement, having worked at the Morganton Department of Public Safety, NC Division of Motor Vehicles, and the Department of Corrections. Tommy was an avid golfer and bowler, and he was a member of a bowling league for over 20 years. He was also a fan of the Boston Red Sox and the Atlanta Braves.

Those left to cherish his memory include his son, Ashley Taylor (Keri); daughter, Candace White (Zach); granddaughters, Briar White, and Adrianna Taylor; grandson, Landon Taylor; significant other, Ruth Ann; and a number of nieces, nephews, and extended family.

In addition to his parents, Tommy was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Renè Mull Taylor; brothers, Danny and Bobby Taylor; and sister, Hilda Taylor Adkins.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 3 p.m., Sunday, May 17, 2026 at Zion Baptist

Church. A celebration of Tommy's life will follow at 3 p.m. in the church with Rev. Keith Rose officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Zion Baptist Church, 3394 Pea Ridge Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

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

# Tribute Wall

Tommy was the first officer to pull me over .. I had just gotten my license.. he clocked me at 55 in a 35.. I told him my mom and dad were going to kill me for being late getting homr.. he told me that my mom and dad were going to feel a lot worse if I didn't make it home.. then we meet again at Zion BC.. Great man.. u will be missed..

–Tamara Fowler

Ashley,I am so sorry for the loss of your dad.Im sure he will be greatly missed. You and your family are in my prayers. May God comfort and keep you. Always cherish your happy memories. Always a special friend, Phyllis Smith

–Phyllis Smith

Candace, Ashley, I'm sorry for your loss. I hope the love and support of your family and friends sustains you, along with your favorite memories of your father (and your mother, who's passing I just learned of.) I remember how much they both loved you two. Fondly, Jacquie (Jack's daughter)

–Jacquie Propst Skrzat

My sincere condolences to the family. Nathan Chapman

–Nathan Chapman



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I am beyond sorry for your loss as a family. It was more than a privilege to be able to meet and care for Tommy as well as your wonderful family! Please know that it was such a shock to hear this news. You all will be in my prayers!

–Taylor Enloe

Deepest sympathy.

–Ann Smith



Sorry to hear about Tommy passing away. He was a wonderful person. I know Tommy from going to Salem High School. My condolences goes out to the family and friends. Candace my Brother Robert Causby sends his condolences to family and friends also. From: Rachel Causby Morgan.

–Rachel Causby Morgan



TOMMY WAS A DEAR FRIEND WHO COULD BRIGHTEN UP ANY ONES DAY. I SEND MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY. R.I.P. TOMMY TAYLOR....JERRY SAUNDERS.

–jerry saunders

I am so sorry for this loss. Growing up next door to the Taylors, Tom was just like a brother to us. His heart was as big as he was. We will all miss him dearly.

–Tony E Smith

RIP sweet friend! Thanks for the memories. Your many kind deeds are so appreciated and you will be truly missed by all who knew and loved you!

–Glenda Preswood Truax

Fair Winds my Friend!!!

–Walter k Duckworth

Very sorry for your loss. Worked with Tommy at Foothills.

–John Harley Walker



–Peggy G Wilson

Awesome man !!

–Bryan Whisenant



–Cozette Townsend

I worked with Tommy from late 1979 to early Jan 1984. He was good to work with and a lot of fun, I will certainly miss seeing him around town.

–Alan Cobb



Ruth Ann, I am so sorry to hear about Tommy. He was a good man. May Jesus be with you and his family.



—Wanda Bunting

Tommy was a special cousin and I will miss talking to him and seeing him around at different places rip i love you see you one day love your cousin Becky

—Becky Pollard