



*Wilma Judith "Judy"*  
*Whisnant King*

**April 11, 1938 - Dec. 14, 2025**

Wilma Judith "Judy" Whisnant King, 87, of Morganton, NC, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, December 14, 2025.

Born in Burke County, NC on April 11, 1938, she was the daughter of the late Ervin Theodore Whisnant and Era Ellen Gosnell Whisnant.

Mrs. King worked for Henredon Furniture for 25 years, retiring in 2003. Judy had a strong faith in God and was a charter member of Faith Free Will Baptist Church. She taught the Primary Class for many years. Judy was known as an amazing cook and made seven course meals daily. Her signature dishes include Thanksgiving dressing, cornbread, pumpkin rolls, fudge, and pound cake. Judy loved her flower gardens, Sunday dinners with her beloved family, and decorating for Christmas with an abundance of presents under the tree. Her contagious sense of humor will be missed, and her riddles and rhymes brought joy to many lives.

Those left to cherish her memory include her sons, Jeff King (Brenda), Tim King (Phyllis), Kenneth King (Shannon), and David King; daughter, Eileen Browning; grandchildren, Brent King (Casey), Jessica White (Brandon), Lacey Brown (Marty), Nathanael King, and Bonnie Browning; great-grandchildren, Cason King, Benson King,

Blakely White, Griffin White, and Colton Benfield; along with a number of special nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Judy was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Benson King; brother, Rex Whisnant; and son-in-law, Wilburn Browning.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 to 2 p.m., Saturday, December 20, 2025 in the fellowship hall of Faith Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall with Rev. Rocky Reese officiating. Burial will follow in Burke Memorial Park.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff of Grace Heights for the compassionate care shown to Judy over the past 7 years.

Memorial contributions may be made to Faith Free Will Baptist Church, 1308 Jamestown Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

As Judy often said, "Take it easy greasy, you got a long way to slide."

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

# Tribute Wall



So sorry for the family's loss. I work with Judy at Henredon furniture. She was the sweetest woman. We would eat together and we had lots of fun just setting and talking and enjoying each other's company. Heaven gained another Angel.

—Carolyn H White

My memory of Judy is when we would gather in the Lab breakroom for Thanksgiving pot-luck. We would all bring a dish, and Judy would fix a turkey for all of us to enjoy. I can see her right now, at the sink and countertop, carving up that turkey. And it was always delicious. What a sweet, caring person she was, even to those who didn't know her well. RIP, Judy. I will remember your kindness.

—Ellen Davis

I'm truly sorry for your loss, may God give his peace and comfort always. Love you.

—Peggy Deal



Jeff and family, We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your wonderful mother, Judy. May God's grace and love cover and comfort each of you. -Todd and Melissa King

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Such a sweet soul. She will be missed! So sorry for your loss!

—Linda McIntosh



I'm so sorry for your loss Tim. Praying God will give you all peace and comfort.

—Glenda Hollifield

Tim and family, My deepest sympathy to you and your family..Prayers for comfort and peace.

—Glenda s Truax

Oh, how we loved Aunt Judy. So many wonderful memories. We love you all and praying for each of you. She was a beautiful soul and will be greatly missed.

—Allen and GingerWhisnant

Such a special lady. Judy you will always be remembered for your love toward others. Your sweet heart lives on in your family and friends. Heaven just got a little sweeter. Love you sweetie!

—Raylene Fredell



—Lisa



King Family, I am so sorry to hear about your Mother's passing. Having just gone through this myself I know your pain. All we can do is that she is in God's hands healthy and young once more. Prayers to you all

—Roger Hart