



Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton

October 10, 1956 - January 7, 2017

Diane Barkley Burton, 60, of Salisbury, NC passed away Saturday, January 7, 2017 at her home, surrounded by her family.

Diane was born in Columbus, GA on October 10, 1956 to Fred and Shirley Holcomb Barkley. She was educated in the Iredell County School system. After high school, Diane attended Western Carolina University where she received a teaching degree in early childhood education and where she met her husband Bob. Her teaching career began in the Swain County system and continued in the Rowan Salisbury system at Morgan Elementary school. After teaching for 30 years, Diane retired in 2010.

Diane loved the outdoors, camping in the mountains, fishing at Topsail Beach and traveling to new places. She loved working in the yard with flowers and small garden. However, cruising to the Bahamas and Caribbean quickly became her favorite activity.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband of 39 years Bob, mother Shirley, 2 sons; Bobby Jr (Holly) (grandson Logan) and Ben, sister; Donna Donaldson (daughters Madison and Holly) and brother, Robert Jr. Diane is preceded in death by her father Robert Fred "Pete" Barkley.

Visitation will be on Thursday January 12, 2017 from 12:00 to 1:30 pm at

Summersett Funeral Home with a graveside service at Rowan memorial Park starting at 2:00 pm. Pastor Tim Roten officiating.

In lieu of flowers, Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at cancer.org or 1(800)227-2345

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Burton family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 633-2111
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *She was and will forever be the most loving caring teacher that I have ever had. I felt like she was my 2nd mom I have so many great memories of her she always made me feel special and important made me feel like I mattered and that someone finally cared about me in life. I will never forget the impact this incredible woman had on my life forever she will be in my heart ❤️*

Amy Davis - May 04, 2023 at 01:58 PM



“ *Roger Parker donated \$100 dollars to the Cancer .org site in Diane Barkley Burtons honor! Heartfelt Sympathy to her family!*

Linda Parker - January 18, 2017 at 08:58 AM

HE

“ *Diane Burton will be remembered as a teacher that truly made a positive impact on her students. I had the opportunity to work with her in the Rowan - Salisbury School System for many years as the Director of Elementary Education. She was a master teacher that always encouraged her students to do their best. Diane will truly be missed by all.*

Sarah Hensley, Ed.D

Hensley - January 11, 2017 at 01:25 PM

DS

“ Growing up I knew I had 2 sisters;but little did I know that I actually had a 3rd sister-"Diane". She was greatly loved by the Burton family;especially her mother and father-in-law.I know Diane is in heaven sitting on a golden throne with many children around her telling them of her life's lessons, with God as her principle standing behind her smiling. Donna Sims

Donna B Sims - January 10, 2017 at 11:09 PM

FD

“ Friends and Staff at West Iredell Dialysis purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton.



Friends and Staff at West Iredell Dialysis - January 10, 2017 at 12:28 PM

MD

“ Mom, Robert, Donna purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton.



Mom, Robert, Donna - January 10, 2017 at 09:15 AM

LS

“ Lynn Speight lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton



Lynn Speight - January 10, 2017 at 07:41 AM

JD

“ Jennifer DeGroat lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton



Jennifer DeGroat - January 10, 2017 at 12:16 AM

TF

“ The Sims family; Mom and the Shore family purchased the Touching Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton.



The Sims family; Mom and the Shore family - January 09, 2017 at 11:37 PM

DS

“ Donna B Sims lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton



Donna B Sims - January 09, 2017 at 10:54 PM

AN

“ When I remember Diane, I remember the love she had for her students.
A teacher touches the life of a child forever. She truly touched the lives of her students.
I will miss you.

Angie Newman

Angie Newman - January 09, 2017 at 07:33 PM



“ *May you RIP.. will miss you, I learned a lot from you..*



Cynthia Leach - January 09, 2017 at 06:49 PM

VA

“ *Rip....Mrs.Burton, such a good woman,teacher,and person. She made such a impact on so many kids, and people's lifes, with her sweet smile, talks,or a simple hello, She always had a hunting story for Tylor Avins or words of wisdom for me ,when I was going threw hard times, She will surly be missed.*
Valerie & Tylor Avins

Valerie - January 09, 2017 at 06:36 PM

VA

“ *Such a great woman,teacher, and person. She had such a great impact on so many kids,and people, with her sweet smile, talks, and caring personality. Mrs.Burton you will surly be missed. Valerie & Tylor Avins*

Valerie - January 09, 2017 at 06:18 PM

TS

“ *Tim Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton*



Tim Smith - January 09, 2017 at 06:07 PM

AB

“ *Audra Bradway lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton*



Audra Bradway - January 09, 2017 at 05:35 PM

AB

“ *I learned so much my first years working with Diane at Morgan. She was a dedicated teacher and touched so many lives in her 30 years of teaching. She was also a great friend. Bob, and boys I know it will be difficult to move on without her. I pray for God to wrap his arms around you and show you all his amazing peace and love!! God Bless*
Audra Bradway

Audra Bradway - January 09, 2017 at 05:34 PM

TS

“ *Tim Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton*



Tim Smith - January 09, 2017 at 05:06 PM

SM

“ *Diane was a truly beautiful lady. She was so loving and giving. I always remember her when it gets cold as I wrap my hand knitted scarf around myself. She will be missed. Praying for all her boys!*
Love, Sis

Sis Morefield - January 09, 2017 at 03:52 PM

DH

“ I have never seen my brother smile so big until this beautiful lady entered his life. She was my Sister, my Friend and my "Sissy"! I will miss you so much!!! Debbie

Debbie Haynes - January 09, 2017 at 03:21 PM

DH

“ Debbie Haynes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane Barkley Burton



Debbie Haynes - January 09, 2017 at 03:17 PM

TS

I had the honor of being Diane's Principal at Morgan Elementary. She was such a wonderful teacher who loved every child. The two of us shared the same birthday, October 10th. She will be greatly missed for her laughter and caring nature. Prayers sent to her family knowing she is now with the angels. Another great loss!

Tim Smith - January 09, 2017 at 04:53 PM

SS

“ Diane was a wonderful teacher and friend. She was able to bring out the best in her students and touched so many lives in her lifetime. She will truly be missed by all! Peace dear friend!

susan sigmon - January 09, 2017 at 02:59 PM