



## Marvin Allen Burnett Sr.

October 9, 1928 - September 5, 2025

Marvin Allen Burnett, Sr., 96, of Salisbury, North Carolina, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on September 5, 2025.

He was born on October 9, 1928, in Rockwood, Tennessee, to Clifford Franklin Burnett, Sr. and Permelia Monk Burnett. Marvin lived a long and faithful life marked by service, love, and devotion to both his family and his church.

He served in the United States Air Force from 1949 to 1953, where he flew on a KB-29 refueling plane as a boom operator. After completing his service, Marvin worked for Southern Railroad for 42 years.

His steadfast work ethic was matched only by his commitment to Milford Hills Baptist Church, where he sang in the choir, served as a deacon, and was a dedicated member of the building and grounds committee. He was also the oldest member of Milford Hills Baptist Church. He always made sure everything was in order at the church—a reflection of his servant's heart and love for the Lord.

Marvin shared 66 wonderful years of marriage with his beloved wife, Hazel Harkness Burnett, before her passing on January 6, 2017. Together, they built a loving family and a legacy rooted in faith.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Clifford Franklin Burnett, Jr. and John Claude Burnett; his sister, Vera Kathleen Brooks; and his grandson, William Bryan Hutchens.

Those left to cherish his memory include son, Marvin Allen Burnett, Jr. (Gina) of Salisbury, NC, daughters, Cindy Pruett (Kenny) of Woodleaf, NC; Nancy Burnett (fiancé Eddie Bruce) of Cleveland, NC; grandchildren, Kelly Barnhardt (Josh) of Charlotte, NC; Daniel Pruett (Amanda) of Lexington, NC; Jason Burnett (Kara) of Salisbury, NC; Christine Cousins (Jesse) of Mocksville, NC; great-grandchildren, Lane Kimmer, Addison Kimmer, Sawyer Kimmer, Emory Barnhardt, Madison Cousins, Vater Pruett, Jensen Barnhardt, Hudson Burnett, Noah Cousins, Quinn Burnett, and Bryson Cousins.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to Hospice and to his caregivers, Tosha Palmer, Venita Peck, and Jamie Cannady, whose kindness, compassion, and care brought him comfort in his final months. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by all who had the blessing of knowing him.

Visitation will be from 10:00–11:00 a.m, Monday, September 8, 2025 at Milford Hills Baptist Church, followed by the funeral service at 11:00 a.m, officiated by Pastor Gray Clayton. Burial will follow with military honors at Rowan Memorial Park cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Milford Hills Baptist Church, 1238 E Colonial Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144 and Novant Hospice, 1220 Statesville Blvd., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Burnett family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rowan Memorial Park

4125 Franklin Comm Center Rd  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 636-8751

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Milford Hills Baptist Church  
1238 E. Colonial Dr.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

## Funeral Service

SEP 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

WM

“ Cindy, we are thinking of you and your family at this time. Most sincerely, Wanda & Jerry McDuffie.

Wanda McDuffie - September 08, 2025 at 07:11 PM

GF

“ Gary & Jeanette Trickett & family. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Marvin Allen Burnett Sr..



Gary & Jeanette Trickett & family. - September 05, 2025 at 10:47 PM

FM

“ Condolences to all who loved Marvin, including myself. He will be missed.

Floyd Morris - September 05, 2025 at 08:46 PM

FM

“ Marvin was a big brother to me when his brother John and I were teenage friends in Smyrna, Ga. back in the '50s

Floyd Morris - September 05, 2025 at 08:40 PM

LM

“ Cindy and family,I am so sorry for your loss. There was never a time when I saw him that he was not smiling.He lived a good long life.I know you will miss him ,but he is in a much better place then we are and no longer in pain.All of you are in my prayers.



Linda Messick - September 05, 2025 at 07:03 PM

FS

“ From Cabarrus County EM & Fire Services purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marvin Allen Burnett Sr..



From Cabarrus County EM & Fire Services - September 05, 2025 at 05:48 PM

SH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Summersett Funeral Home - September 05, 2025 at 02:38 PM

WM

Cindy, we are thinking of you at this time. Much affection, Wanda & Jerry McDuffie

Wanda McDuffie - September 06, 2025 at 02:38 PM