



# Lonnie Ray Morton

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## **Lonnie Ray Morton**

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**L**onnie Ray Morton, 83 of Albemarle, NC passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on June 30, 2019 at his home after a lengthy battle with Parkinson disease. Born in Albemarle on June 21, 1936, he was the son of William Lee and Nellie Hinson Morton. He was raised by his Grandmother, Sally Hudson Morton. He was a lifetime member of Grace Baptist Church where he sang in the choir, served as a deacon and taught Sunday school for over 50 years. He graduated from Albemarle High School in the class of 1955. Lonnie worked at Wiscasset Mills Co. while also studying and being self-taught to file income taxes and provide accounting services. He established Morton's Income Tax & Bookkeeping service and he along with his wife Patty, faithfully served their clients for over 50 years until declining health prevented him from continuing. Taking care of his customers was of upmost importance to Him and as a result, many customers became like family. He was a member of the Albemarle Rotary Club for over 50 years and was a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Award. He was a Master Mason and member of Stanly Lodge #348 for over 50 years. He was a leader for Cub Scout Pack #50 for many years. He also served on the board for the local Crisis Ministries. Serving his Church and community, both of whom helped raise Lonnie was always important to him. Because of his upbringing, he always felt compelled to help those less fortunate, and anyone needing help, especially children.

In addition to his loving family and friends, Lonnie loved playing softball most notably with the Belks Quenby and predecessor teams and was known as a superb first baseman. After his playing days he took up Golf and loved the individual competition with his golfing buddies and with his sons on family vacations at the beach. He also loved making and flying kites, and in his later years he was an avid sports fan and enjoyed following his favorite teams.



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In addition to his parents and grandmother, Lonnie was preceded in death by two loving sons, Kim Douglas Morton and Stephen Morton.

Lonnie is survived by his wife of almost 64 years, Patty Mann Morton; a son, Michael R. Morton and wife Melody of Advance, NC; daughter-in-law, Lisa Morton of Albemarle; grandson David Morton and wife Sarah; granddaughter Emily Moore and husband Brian; grandson Zac Morton and wife Molly; four great granddaughters and one great grandson, Riley and Cooper Morton, Brily and Ellie Moore and Lydia Morton; two brothers Neil Morton of Albemarle; Jimmy Morton and wife Julia of Camden SC.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday at Stanly Funeral & Cremation Care from 5:00-8:00pm. Funeral services for Mr. Morton will be held at Grace Baptist Church on Wednesday at 11:00am followed by a graveside service at Fairview Memorial Park.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of Stanly Home Health, especially Denise, Stephanie, Beth, Julie and Debbie for their loving care. In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorials be made to Grace Baptist Church, 644 Edgemont Street, Albemarle, NC 28001.



## Tribute Wall

**Lonnie Ray Morton**

PC

**Peggie Lucas Covington** posted:

I remember Lonnie from my many years at Grace Baptist. Such a wonderful family and man of great honor. Even though I moved out of the area, I still remember the family fondly and the Sunday school lessons that I repeat to my children. Prayers for you all!

July 16 at 9:19 AM

KS

**Kent And Jolene Stoker** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Patty and family. Lonnie was a good friend and will be missed. So sorry we were not here.

July 9 at 9:55 AM

MW

**Monte & Jill Williams** posted:

Lonnie was such a kind man. He will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers of comfort and peace for the family.

July 8 at 12:08 PM

NW

**Nancy Ward** posted:

Please accept our sincere sympathy in the passing of Mr. Morton. We were not blessed to have known him, but we are very blessed to know Mike & his family. We will be thinking of you during the coming days and pray you will find comfort in the good memories.

July 8 at 11:58 AM

HG

**Harold E Greene** posted:

IT WAS A PLEASURE KNOWING LONNIE AT GRACE AS A GREAT TEACHER AND CHIOR MEMBER.

July 5 at 3:25 AM

CB

**Chris Barbee** posted:

I have know Lonnie for many years. I will remember him most for being a faithful Christian. So sorry for your loss Patty.

July 4 at 8:42 AM



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GV

**Gail Vaughan** posted:

Patty and all of the family, I am so sorry for your loss. Lonnie was a great man in so many ways. I was blessed to have known him. You will be in my prayers.

July 3 at 4:54 PM

SP

**Shelia Poplin** posted:

Lonnie was a wonderful person and will be missed by many. He was the accountant for our business until we retired. He was a great friend to so many. Patty and the family are in my prayers.

July 3 at 12:39 AM

FH

**Frankie Gale Harris** posted:

Patty and family I send my heartfelt condolences on Lonnie's passing. May God comfort each of you in the days ahead.

July 2 at 7:46 PM

JS

**John (Alex) And Donna Sides** posted:

So saddened by Lonnie's passing and praying for Patty and all the family as well. We loved him not only as family friend but as accountant as well. Our loss is truly Heaven's gain??

July 2 at 12:45 PM

SV

**Sue Mesimer And Hollie Vanhoy** posted:

PATTY AND FAMILY -YOU HAVE OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

July 2 at 7:46 AM

JM

**Jephthah Mcswain** posted:

Lonnie will be greatly missed. Enjoyed the old days with him at the Bowling Alley.....b will always remember that smile!!Prayers for the family, and thinking about you David and Patty.....

July 2 at 6:30 AM



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RR

**Rick Russell** posted:

Lonnie, was a super nice person. Will be praying for the family. Rick Russell.

July 2 at 5:05 AM

DF

**David And Sarah Fisher** posted:

Our deepest condolences and prayers to the Morton family.

July 1 at 6:38 PM

BT

**Bill & Kellie Tucker** posted:

My thoughts & prayers are with all of you! Lonnie was such a nice person.

July 1 at 5:37 PM

TM

**Tim Mcswain** posted:

Lonnie was one of the finest men I knew. Had a impact on mine and both of my children's life. Thoughts and prayers for Patty and the family. RIP Lonnie, till we meet again.. ❤️

July 1 at 2:33 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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