



## Barbara Merritt

December 28, 2013

### Obituary of Barbara Merritt

Barbara Bourgeois Merritt, 76, resident of Shelby, NC, died December 28, 2013 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center, Shelby, NC. She was born in Tampa, FL to the late Nelson Bourgeois and Geneva Bourquardez Bourgeois. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Robert "Bob" Ray Merritt. She was a member of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, Shelby, NC and retired from Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, NC. Barbara spent her life active in the church serving and worshipping as a faithful servant to her Heavenly Father.

She is survived by her sons, Wayne (Ann) Merritt of Shelby, NC, Nelson Thomas (Marsha) Merritt of Boiling Springs, NC, and Justin Lee Merritt of Shelby, NC; daughters, Cindy Lee (John) Russell of Shelby, NC, and Janice Lynn (Phillip) Harris of Maiden, NC; sister, Darlene Irwin of Riverview, FL; grandchildren, Lisa Marie (Joseph) Wong of Shelby, NC, Kevin (Alexis) Merritt of Shelby, NC, Andrew (Lindsay) Merritt of Charlotte, NC, Miranda (Corey) Harmon of Radcliff, KY, Jason (Rebecca) Cline of Concord, NC, Grant Harris of Maiden, NC, Aaron Harris of Maiden, NC, and Candace Sewell of Charlotte, NC; and ten great-grandchildren.

Interment

Graveside Services at Garden of Memories, Webster, on Saturday, January 4,  
2014 at 11:00 am.