

Larry Wayne McCorkle!

LINCOLNTON, N.C.—Larry Wayne McCorkle, age 82, of Lincolnton, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at Carolina Caring Catawba Hospice House in Newton, surrounded by the love and care that marked the importance of family throughout his life.

Born on November 10, 1943, in Lincoln County, Larry was the son of the late Lester “Chum” and Audrey Elizabeth Burgess McCorkle. A lifelong member of the community, Larry was a member of Antioch Baptist Church in Lincolnton, where his faith remained an important part of his life.

Larry was a hardworking man who understood the value of commitment, loyalty, and providing for his family. He retired from Ethan Allen after an extraordinary 49 years of dedicated service. His many years of hard work reflected the steady, dependable nature that those who knew him came to appreciate.

Above all, Larry cherished his family. He and his beloved wife, Helen, shared 64 years of marriage, building a lifetime of memories, enduring love, and family traditions. Their long journey together stands as a testament to a love that lasted through the seasons of life. He took pride in his sons and treasured the special

place his grandchildren held in his heart.

Those left to cherish his memory include:

Loving wife of 64 years: Helen Rebecca McCorkle of the home; Sons: Tommy Wayne McCorkle of Lincolnton, Richard Lemar McCorkle of Maiden, and Donald Ray McCorkle and wife, Melissa, of Lincolnton; Brother: Jerry Lester McCorkle and wife, Rita of Lincolnton; Sister: Zellie Lee McCorkle Canipe and husband, Bob of Lincolnton; Beloved grandchildren: Clint Hallston McCorkle and Mikayla Nicole Beard.

The funeral service will be held Saturday, October 24, 2026 at 11 a.m. at Antioch Baptist Church in Lincolnton with Pastor Doug Cooper and Pastor Macon Ballard officiating.

Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. at the church.

Larry’s family invites friends and loved ones to remember him with gratitude for the years shared, the memories made, and the love that will never be forgotten.

Burke Mortuary of Maiden, N.C. is serving the McCorkle family.