



Edna Taylor Blanton

October 8, 1924 - December 24, 2019

Edna Taylor Blanton, 95, of Asheville, NC passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 24, 2019. A native of Harlowe, NC, she was born on October 8, 1924 to the late C.J. and Eleanor Taylor. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Wayne W. Blanton, Sr.; son, Wayne, W. Blanton, Jr.; two sisters, Ruth Smith and Edith Jarman and a special friend, Marguerite McLawhorn.

A graduate of Beaufort High School, Edna began attending Blanton's Business College in 1940. While there, she met the love of her life and they were married on October 24, 1942. She went on to graduate from Blanton's and then Bowling Green State University in Kentucky.

Edna became the owner of Blanton's Junior College, where she served as the President and Chairman of the Board, she remained associated with the College until 1992. She held a NC Realtor license, and was a member of the Asheville Country Club, The American Business Women's Association – Hy Hopes, Women's Civic Club, State Advisory Committee for Private Business and Trade Schools in NC, served on the Board of Director's of the NC Association of Business Colleges and volunteered with the Eliada Home and St. Joseph's Hospital Guild. She was a member of First Baptist Church. She enjoyed traveling and visited many countries in her lifetime. A kind and caring heart for all, Edna wanted the best for everyone and loved her family

and friends.

Survivors include her daughter, Kay Blanton Davis; sister, Hazel Ives; grandchildren, Jamie Davis & great-granddaughter, Hadley of Asheville, NC, Joseph Davis & wife, Stephanie & Great-Grandsons, Hudson & Parks of Atlanta, GA, Joni Davis, her special "Guardian Angel" of Asheville, NC, Wayne Blanton "Trip" & wife, Malina & great-grandson, Isaac of Fletcher, NC, Angelica Blanton of Cherokee, NC; sister-in-Law, June Madison of Wichita, KS and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held 2:00 PM, Saturday, January 11, 2020 in the Chapel of Morris Funeral & Cremation Care. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 1:00 PM. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery, 53 Birch Street, Asheville, NC.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date at Edna's childhood favorite church, Harlowe United Methodist Church in Newport, NC.

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In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Harlowe United Methodist Church, 5129 Hwy. 101, Newport, NC 28570.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

53 Birch Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Previous Events

Family will Receive Friends

JAN 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Morris Funeral Home
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
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info@morrisfamilycare.com
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Tribute Wall



“ *Edna Taylor Blanton*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edna Taylor Blanton.*



January 11, 2020 at 08:00 PM



“ *I was a good friend of June Blanton through high school and remember fondly Edna and Wayne Blanton, June's big brother. He took all six of us close friends to the drive in theater, some in the trunk. He would pull up to the gate and tell the ticket seller, "Count 'em." Known you miss Edna, she was a wonderful woman.*

Harriet Mill - January 11, 2020 at 10:39 AM



I am Kay Blanton Davis, Edna's daughter. I wanted you to know that June passed away yesterday from lung cancer. She lived in Wichita, KS. She will be greatly missed by her family. She was so much fun!!

Kay Blanton Davis - August 30, 2021 at 08:52 PM

AC

“ *My sincere condolences to the Blanton Family
Annette Coleman, Retired VP Bank of
America*



Annette Coleman - January 08, 2020 at 09:21 AM

SH

“ *Always was a delight to be around. Her southern charm and warm
smile will be missed by all who new her. She raised a wonderful
family who will miss her dearly.Kay our thoughts and prayers go out
to you and all of the Blanton family.*

Skip Henry - January 05, 2020 at 10:41 PM



“ *Laura Davis Jason Mannino sent a virtual gift in
memory of Edna Taylor Blanton*



Laura Davis Jason Mannino - January 05, 2020 at 10:14 PM



“ *Laura Davis Jason Mannino lit a candle in
memory of Edna Taylor Blanton*



Laura Davis Jason Mannino - January 05, 2020 at 10:13 PM

CS

“ I loved my Aunt Edna so very much! When I was young I would love to go to Asheville to visit her and Warren and Kay in the summer months. I would look forward to it the whole year! She was so encouraging to me and always gave me the best advice. We will miss her and her beautiful smile! ❤️

Charles Small - January 05, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Edna Taylor Blanton.



January 05, 2020 at 07:26 PM

KB

“ I remember sharing an office with her at the college. She was always so cheerful and nice to me.

Ken Balch - January 05, 2020 at 07:17 PM

BW

“ Kay, I remember when she thought I was you and smacked me on my butt and told me I wasn't going anywhere until I did the dishes! What a treasure! ❤️

Barbra White - January 05, 2020 at 07:02 PM

TS

I remember the first time I met Aunt Edna I thought she was one of the sweetest people I had ever met! Such a positive uplifting spirit! She will be missed! ❤️

Tressa Small - January 05, 2020 at 07:11 PM

JD

“ *My sweet Mudder!*

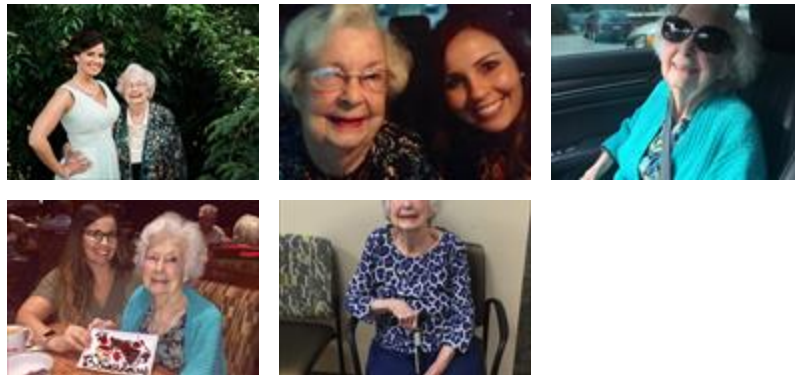
You were my everything and my life is forever changed! You always called me your guardian angel but in fact you are MY guardian angel flying high! Your smile was contagious and all who met you LOVED you! You were a special lady and my favorite person.

I will miss our Friday outings and Red Lobster dates. We shared a special bond that I will cherish forever! Best friends!

I hope I continue to make you proud and consider myself lucky if I'm ever half the woman you were.

I am so thankful that God chose us for each other and I know you are home now. Until we meet again! I will forever love you!

Your granddaughter ~ Joni ♥



joni davis - January 03, 2020 at 08:15 PM

RH



Ronda Hensley - January 04, 2020 at 11:53 AM

AM

Joni, this is precious! I love the bond you two girls share!

Angela Martin - January 04, 2020 at 01:00 PM

TC

Mrs. Blanton was a special Angel. I loved her.. Fly High

Teri Troitino Connelly - January 06, 2020 at 12:55 AM

LT

Mrs Blanton was always so kind to me. I loved spending the night with Kay. I remember our 6th grade summer listening to 45's loudly in the bedroom to songs like Summer in the City and Crystal Blue Persuasion, and Mrs Blanton always let us have fun and carry on. I knew she was sad - Mr Blanton had died so suddenly, but, yet, she was so strong for her kids. I admired her for her courage. She will live in your hearts forever.

Laura Lentjes Tyor - January 07, 2020 at 06:30 PM

GB

One of the nicest, most considerate people. I met her MANY years ago when I attended Blanton's Business College. She knew my financial circumstances and worked very hard to find me some part-time work to help me out while I attended the school. Condolences to her family and friends.

Gail J Bishop - January 10, 2020 at 10:25 AM