



## Mrs. Rena James Farnsworth

February 3, 1921 - January 9, 2011

Rena James Farnsworth, 89, formerly of Clairmont Ave. died Sunday, January 9, 2011 at the WNC Baptist Home. A native of Greer, SC, she lived most of her life in Asheville. She was daughter of the late James Albert and Daisy Miller Genoble, and wife of the late Edward M. James and most recently the late David I. Farnsworth. She was preceded in death by two brothers: J. Dortch and Mendel L. Genoble.

Mrs. Farnsworth retired from the Asheville VA Medical Center after 33 years of service and was a long time employee of Morris Funeral Home. She was former president of the Etheridge Women's Club, and of the Democratic Women's Club, member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Asheville Civitan Club, Eastern Star Chapter 12, and the National Association of Federal Employees. She was an Auxiliary at Thoms Hospital and helped in the box office of Asheville Community Theatre. She was an active member of First Baptist Church where she served as outreach leader of the Lydia Sunday School Class.

Surviving are one son: Edward D. James and wife, Sara, of Southern Pines, NC; grandson Dustin F. James of Los Angeles, CA, two step-sons: Donald M. Farnsworth and wife, Millie, of Stevensville, MD, and Hugh A Farnsworth and wife, Kelly, of Marion, SC; and many nieces, nephews, step grandchildren and step great- grandchildren.

Services will be Friday, January 14, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Asheville. Dr. Guy Sayles, Jr. will officiate. Interment will follow in the Calvary Episcopal Churchyard. Mrs. Farnsworth's family will receive friends Thursday from 6 to 8:00 p.m. at Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville, NC. Memorials may be made to the Asheville Civitan Club (address).

Morris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be sent through the website [www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Episcopal Churchyard

2840 Hendersonville Road  
Fletcher, NC 28732

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **13**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Morris Funeral Home  
304 Merrimon Ave.  
Asheville, NC 28801  
(828) 252-1821  
[info@morrisfamilycare.com](mailto:info@morrisfamilycare.com)  
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## Service

JAN **14**. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Asheville  
5 Oak Street  
Asheville, NC 28801

# Tribute Wall



“ *Morris Funeral & Cremation Care created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Rena James Farnsworth*



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**Morris Funeral Home** - January 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Rena James Farnsworth*

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October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Victoria Libby Chakales lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Rena James Farnsworth*



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**Victoria Libby Chakales** - January 13, 2011 at 02:19 PM

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“ *Eddie, Sara and Dustin,  
So sorry to hear of the loss of Mrs. Rena. My thoughts and prayers  
are with you all during this time. Please let us know if there's  
anything that you all need. May God's peace and comfort surround  
you.*

*Love,  
Jennifer and Ryan*

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**Jennfier** - January 12, 2011 at 04:38 PM