



Lucy Burgess Austin

November 25, 1956 - June 7, 2019

Lucy Burgess Austin, 62, of Roanoke Rapids, NC, died Friday, June 7, 2019 at her home. She was the wife of Wendell L. Austin for over 40 years.

She was born November 25, 1956 in Lynchburg, VA, a daughter of Lucy D. Burgess of Altavista, VA and the late J. Rudolph Burgess. Lucy was an employee of the Roanoke Rapids Graded School District as a school nurse for 20 years. She was a member of Rosemary United Methodist Church where she was active in the United Methodist Women, True Spirit Circle, and dedicated countless hours to the children's ministries through teaching Sunday School, leading Vacation Bible School, and children's church. She also participated in the Linus Outreach Project and nursing home ministries. Lucy was proud to be a Girl Scout Troop leader for more than 10 years and she served the Girl Scouts of Coastal Carolina as a board member at large, board secretary, vice president, and president. She received the "Thanks Badge" which is the highest honor in Girl Scouts for her outstanding contributions and commitment to the GSUSA program, the prestigious "Silver Seagull Award" for her service to the Coastal Carolina Girl Scouts Council, served on the Coastal Pines Council Board, and was co-chair of the realignment to help establish the newly formed council.

In addition to her husband and mother, she is survived by three daughters, Kathryn A. Mincher and her husband, Adam, of Oxford, NC, Emily A. Hord

and her husband, Loren, of Raleigh, NC, and Allison L. Austin of Raleigh, NC; two brothers, Bubba Burgess and his wife, Debbie, of Cumberland, VA and Marshall Burgess and his wife, Debbie, of Charlotte, NC; one sister, Jane B. Hudgins and her husband, Mike, of Altavista, VA; two granddaughters, Meredith Rose Mincher and Madisyn Elizabeth Mincher; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Elizabeth B. Davis.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Monday, June 10, 2019 at Rosemary United Methodist Church, Roanoke Rapids, NC by the Rev. Steve McElroy. Visitation will follow the service in the church fellowship hall.

A private graveside service will be conducted on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at Green Hill Cemetery, Altavista, VA by the Rev. Ben Horrocks.

The family will receive friends at the residences of Wendell Austin and Lucy Burgess.

The family prefers donations to be made to the Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network at BCAN.org or to Rosemary United Methodist Church, 900 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870.

Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista, VA is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

Rosemary United Methodist Church
900 Jackson Street
Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

Tribute Wall

RP

“ Lucy and I graduated from Virginia Baptist Hospital School of Nursing. We had an early bond since we were both Altavista girls although I was 10 years Lucy's senior. Special does not describe Lucy accurately. Smart, witty, honest, loyal, natural nurse ate the words I would use. She and Wendell made a unique pair. I learned of her death today. My heart is sick. Becky

Rebecca Pitsenbarger - July 12, 2019 at 04:40 PM

SA

“ I was so sad to read about Lucy's passing. Our daughters, Staci and Emily, grew up together and many times Lucy was there to lead their Girl Scout group and other school outings and events. She was a wonderful woman who would be there and do whatever was needed for others. My daughter Staci was so inspired by Lucy that she began a Girl Scout troupe for under-privileged girls here in Columbus, Ohio, a few years ago. Lucy was a true friend and great person, and will never be forgotten.

Sharon Andrews - June 23, 2019 at 11:36 AM

SA

“ Sharon Andrews lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Sharon Andrews - June 23, 2019 at 11:25 AM



“ *Marlo Henderson lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Marlo Henderson - June 19, 2019 at 10:56 PM



“ *Mother Lucy and family, praying for our Lord's comfort in your loss June Farmer and Sang-il Lee*

june farmer lee - June 14, 2019 at 09:20 AM



“ *Nancy Edwards lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Nancy Edwards - June 11, 2019 at 07:38 PM



“ *I was saddened to hear of the passing of Lucy. Though I did not know her personally, she was a Girl Scout sister and I am grateful for the years of hard work, dedication and support that she gave and showed to the mission of Girl Scouts. Thank you to her family for sharing her with us all those years! Many prayers for you as you cope with the loss of your loved one!*

*Jeryl Anderson
NCCP SU 215 Manager*

Jeryl Anderson - June 10, 2019 at 01:43 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .*



June 10, 2019 at 09:19 AM



“ *Elaine Klapproth lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*

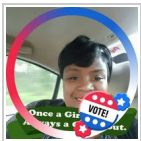


Elaine Klapproth - June 10, 2019 at 08:11 AM



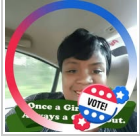
“ *Condolences from an avid scout family to the family of Ms. Austin. I never met her but all scouts are sisters and I wanted to say thank you for the time you contributed to the shaping of our girls. Your service and sacrifice was appreciated sincerely.*

Bridgette - June 10, 2019 at 07:25 AM



“ *As a fellow Girl Scout leader, you have my deepest sympathy and prayers to the family. I didn't know her personally but I know she was a great supporter of Girl Scouts. God bless.*

Michelle Terry - June 10, 2019 at 12:52 AM



“ *Michelle Terry lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Michelle Terry - June 10, 2019 at 12:51 AM



“ *Ashlee D Thomas lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Ashlee D Thomas - June 10, 2019 at 12:06 AM



“ *Mildred M Daniels lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Mildred M Daniels - June 10, 2019 at 12:05 AM



“ *Vanessa Chetty lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Vanessa Chetty - June 09, 2019 at 10:56 PM

JA

“ Jennifer Andrews lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Jennifer Andrews - June 09, 2019 at 09:59 PM

KN

“ Jane and family, you are all in my prayers. My heartfelt condolences.

Karen Newton - June 09, 2019 at 09:14 PM

KH

“ Kim Hall lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Kim Hall - June 09, 2019 at 08:57 PM

BD

“ Wendell,
So sorry for your loss. Dawn and I prayers are with you and your family
Bobby Doss



Bobby Doss - June 09, 2019 at 08:52 PM

KM

Our deepest sympathy from Girl Scout troop 1193 in Hamlet, N.C.

Kim McPherson - June 09, 2019 at 10:59 PM



“ Lucy was always there for my girls when they were diagnosed with type 1 diabetes and other medical problems. She helped us and them through difficult times. I remember when my mom was diagnosed with bladder cancer and she encouraged me. Lucy was a true inspiration and will be missed. Rest Lucy, your job is finished.

Jennifer Stark Meinsen - June 09, 2019 at 08:27 PM



“ Cindy lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



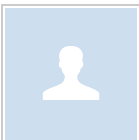
Cindy - June 09, 2019 at 05:55 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .



June 09, 2019 at 05:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .



June 09, 2019 at 05:45 PM

RS

“ Rose Saunders lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Rose Saunders - June 09, 2019 at 05:35 PM

JE

“ Love and prayers to your family. I always enjoyed family get together a with the Mincher's. Lucy was always kind, always funny and ready for a good time and loved her family fiercely. I pray you are comforted by Gods peace and reminded of sweet sweet memories of your mom, Grammy, wife and friend. Love the Enochs

jenna - June 09, 2019 at 05:04 PM

PJ

“ Paul And JeanVanKerckhove lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Paul and JeanVanKerckhove - June 09, 2019 at 02:13 PM

DI

“ My prayers are with you all. Rudy I know is showing her the sights of heaven now. God bless



Dianne Irby - June 09, 2019 at 01:57 PM

CS

“ *Cindy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



cindy stewart - June 09, 2019 at 01:56 PM

PB

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss and hate that we can't be there in person to tell you. Please know that all are in our hearts and prayers. Love and God's comfort to all.*

-The Barkers

Patricia Barker - June 09, 2019 at 01:16 PM

RC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for your strength at this time and days ahead.*



Ray and Kay Caldwell - June 09, 2019 at 12:43 PM

KW

“ *Kathy And Ray Walker lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Kathy and Ray Walker - June 09, 2019 at 12:11 PM

KW

“ Lucy, Jane, and the entire Burgess family,

What beautiful memories we have of Lucy Dee. She, along with her brothers and sister, was in our youth group at Lane Memorial so many years ago. Her smile, kindness, and friendship to all will never be forgotten.

*Our sincere love and sympathy to you all,
Kenny and Joan*

Kenny and Joan Woodson - June 09, 2019 at 12:02 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .



June 09, 2019 at 10:35 AM

JW

“ Janet West lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Janet West - June 09, 2019 at 07:51 AM

JB

“ *Jerry Barnard lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



Jerry Barnard - June 09, 2019 at 07:47 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .*



June 08, 2019 at 09:48 PM

MS

“ *Mark Carla Slusher lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin*



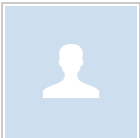
Mark Carla Slusher - June 08, 2019 at 09:39 PM



“ To Wendell and family and the Burgess family, you all will be in my thoughts and prayers as you go through these days of grief. As long as I have known both families, which goes over a half of a century, I have never heard anything but good about Lucy, she was a few years behind me in school, but since Altavista being so small, you knew when any kid did wrong. But Lucy had a great set of parents. We know she is in Heaven now and in a new body made by God. Wendell, just remember, one day soon you will be with your beautiful wife again, this time will be forever. God be with each of you.



Ray Guill - June 08, 2019 at 09:36 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lucy Burgess Austin .



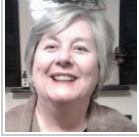
June 08, 2019 at 09:20 PM



“ Edna Robertson lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Edna Robertson - June 08, 2019 at 09:00 PM



“ Vickie Cocke lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Vickie Cocke - June 08, 2019 at 08:50 PM

SB

“ Lucy & Family,

I am so sorry for the loss of your precious daughter. I so remember when we worked together and how much I enjoyed hearing you talk about your children and grandchildren.

They all are blessed children to have had you and Rudy as their parents. I used to love hearing about your family "Uncle Billy's Day" weekends.

You are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you.

Sue Blackstock



Sue Blackstock - June 08, 2019 at 07:46 PM

GW

“ Gwenda Willard lit a candle in memory of Lucy Burgess Austin



Gwenda Willard - June 08, 2019 at 05:50 PM