



## Wanda Burgess

July 29, 1951 - September 30, 2023

Wanda Burgess age 72 of Harriman, passed away Saturday, September 30, 2023. She was a member of Clax Gap Baptist Church. Wanda retired from the Roane County Schools where she taught at Emory Heights, Midtown and other schools throughout Roane County. She was active in the Retired Teachers of Roane County and was currently serving as president. Preceded in death by her parents R.P. and Hazel Burgess, sister Dianna Connelly, brothers Rubben Burgess, Jr., and Ricky Joe Burgess.

Survivors include:

Husband of 23 years Donnie Wilson of Harriman,  
Stepson Michael Wilson of Knoxville,  
Brothers and sisters in law Mike and Tonia Burgess of Westel,  
Jim and Darlene Burgess of Harriman,  
Ron and Teresa Burgess of Lenior City,  
Doug Burgess of Kingston,  
Kevin and Cindy Burgess of Harriman,  
And several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm Saturday, October 7, 2023, at the Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. The funeral will follow at 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be made to Clax Gap Baptist Church 871 Clax Gap Road Harriman, TN. 37748 or to the Roane

County Retired Teachers. The burial will be in Harriman Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Homes of Harriman is serving the Burgess Family.

# Cemetery Details

## Harriman Cemetery

Cemetery Rd  
Harriman, TN 37748

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes  
OUR HARRIMAN CHAPEL  
PO Box 232, 430 Morgan St  
Harriman, TN 37748  
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## Funeral Service

OCT 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Burgess*



Kyker Funeral Home - October 06, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ *I was very fortunate to know and work with Wanda. She was very dedicated to her students and her family and church Wanda was always willing to help others. She will be missed. Nancy Holloway*

Nancy Holloway - October 07, 2023 at 11:28 AM



“ *29 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - October 06, 2023 at 01:44 PM

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“ I knew Wanda from attending Trinity Baptist Church during my youth. Wanda was always smiling and joyful, even bubbly sometimes. She was always very kind to me. My condolences to the family.

Syndie (Murphy) - October 03, 2023 at 09:46 AM

PC

“ I know you as my Aunt Wanda. When Mom married Reuben, you welcomed us into your home. I always thought the world of you. You were so sweet and kind. I am lucky to have you as an Aunt.

Patricia Perdue Conner - October 02, 2023 at 08:01 PM

RH

“ I met Wanda when I worked at RMC and she was volunteering, she made my days so much brighter when she was there and was such a sweetheart as I navigated my pregnancy. She will be greatly missed!

Rachel Henry - October 01, 2023 at 08:03 PM

ML

“ Wanda was one of the sweetest souls I ever met. Very proud to call her my aunt! We love you

Michelle Langley - October 01, 2023 at 05:00 PM



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



October 01, 2023 at 01:33 PM

KH

“ *Such a kind and gentle soul. I don't remember her ever saying an unkind word about anyone. Wanda loved her family, her friends and her community and she will be greatly missed.*

*Karlene Cormany Heck*

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**Karlene heck** - September 30, 2023 at 11:33 PM



“ *5 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Rebecca Hearn** - September 30, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Wanda was a precious support to the students of Mount Pisgah Christian Academy as well as to my family. She invited our groups to sing at the Roane County Retired Teacher's' Luncheons as well as to her church. She volunteered so sweetly as a sub and part-time librarian and I enjoyed the times we were able to talk together. She and I worked together in a class just a couple of weeks ago. She substitute taught in my daughter's class who is a first year teacher. Ms. Wanda was an encouragement to her in the short time and few moments they were together this year. Our prayers are with her family as well as her church. Her singing was a recent blessing to our family.*

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**Rebecca Hearn** - September 30, 2023 at 11:00 PM

RT

“ *My condolences and prayers for the family.*



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**Rebecca Smith, Becky, Hixson, Tn.** - September 30, 2023 at 09:55 PM

PF

“ *So many memories I have of you, you were my sissy I never had .I love you so much and will miss our many catch up talks. May you walk with our Lord and Savior and know one day we will see each other again and have our catch up talks.i will forever miss you my dearest friend.RIP Wanda forever and a day I will miss you*

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**Patricia Foster** - September 30, 2023 at 08:47 PM

SS

“ *So sorry to hear about Wanda. I remember all of us growing up and playing together. It was so wonderful having such wonderful friends.My prayers are with you all. Love you always, Sherry Sullivan Shillings.*

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**Sherry Shillings** - September 30, 2023 at 08:22 PM

ME

“ *Ms. Burgess was such a wonderful teacher and person.She touched so many lives. This is so sad to hear about, my thoughts and prayers go out to her family.*

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**Megan** - September 30, 2023 at 07:38 PM

 Jeff  
Turnbill

“ *This saddens me deeply, Wanda was my kindergarten teacher in 1985 at Emory Heights School. She was an amazing teacher and person. She will be missed, R.I.P ma'am.*

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**Jeff Turnbull** - September 30, 2023 at 06:34 PM

VB

*Wanda we love 💕💕 you miss you your Niece Melissa R Burgess Swanson Jacky Finn Kate Vickie love you*

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**Vickie Bryant Burgess Brown** - September 30, 2023 at 06:38 PM

KM

*Rest in peace sweet lady.*

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**Kathy Maxwell-Grimes** - October 01, 2023 at 09:23 PM

DP

*Ms. Burgess was a wonderful teacher throughout her life. My deepest condolences to her family and friends.*

*Darlene Bowers Prewitt*

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**Darlene Bowers Prewitt** - October 03, 2023 at 07:51 AM