



## Sandy Neely

August 2, 1954 - March 12, 2026

LENOIR, NC – Sandra “Sandy” Kay Neely, 71, of Lenoir, North Carolina, formerly of Matoaka, died Thursday, March 12, 2026, at UNC Health Blue Ridge Hospital in Morganton, North Carolina. Born August 2, 1954, in Princeton, she was the daughter of the late William Otis Neely and Evelean Gertrude Harmon Neely.

Sandy loved relaxing with her favorite TV shows, sipping Dr Pepper, caring for every cat and dog she met, and most of all, cherishing time with her grandchildren. She had the most beautiful blue eyes — eyes that didn’t just look at you, but spoke for her, revealing every emotion she carried in her heart.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Deegan Ray Wiley; niece, Sharon Clark Phillips; and nephew, Timothy “Timmy” Jordan Neely.

Those left to cherish her memory include one son, Michael Dillon of Lenoir NC; two daughters, Charlene Dillon Fuller of Lenoir NC and Michelle Shrewsbury of Rock; siblings, Drema Weise (Pete), Tammy Clark and Timmy Neely; grandchildren, Justin Wiley (Brandi), Adrienne Summers (Mike), Ashley Dillon Burks (Jessie), Rusty Fuller (Tori), Haley Robinette (Walter), Laken Shrader and Olivia Wingfield; special cousin, Martha Neely Stables (David)

several nephews, Brian Keith Neely, Sidney Clark (Sarah), Lloyd Allen Weise; niece, Patricia Weise; and 18 great-grandchildren.

In honoring her wishes, there will be no services.

Information by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My beautiful Nana. I miss you so much. This isn't getting easier. I can't wait to be with you again. I love you so much. Continue to look over me and your boys. Until I see you again.* ❤️

Ashley Burks - March 15 at 06:02 PM

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“ *Love you my friend . I will see you later .  
You all are in my thoughts and prayers* ❤️🙏



Pat Tucker Perdue - March 15 at 04:44 PM

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*My Beautiful Cousin!! I Miss you already. We had a great time growing up!! Until I see you again!!! Love you Always!!!!!!*

Ann Stables - March 15 at 08:37 PM