



Mr. William "Moe" Crayton Merritt

July 6, 1943 - May 18, 2026

William "Moe" Crayton Merritt, 82, husband of the late Shirley Ann Merritt, of Townville, passed away on Monday, May 18, 2026 at his home, surrounded by loved ones. Moe and Shirley were married for nearly 52 years before her death in 2023. He loved camping, working outdoors, attending concerts, and playing with their chihuahuas, Snooks and Precious. He also loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Mr. Merritt was the son of the late Walter Thompson Merritt and Bessie Mae Davis Merritt. He worked for 44 years at Kendall in Seneca as a fixer for most of those years and an engineer later on. He proudly served in the United States Army Reserves for just under 39 years and retired as a drill sergeant. Moe served his community as a volunteer firefighter at Friendship Fire Department in the 60s and returned in the 90s until his health would no longer let him serve. Mr. Merritt was a faithful member of Townville Baptist Church and the "Young Men's" Sunday school class. He was also a long-time member of Townville Masonic Lodge #209.

Mr. Merritt is survived by his son: William "Will" Merritt II (Laura) of Townville; daughters: Lisa Park (Keith) of Central, and Sheila Moore (Billy) of Westminster; sister: Jennie Sue Lee of Seneca; grandchildren: Laura Gorton (Quint), Nicholas Park, Holly Merritt (Stephanie), Matthew Park (Sara), Austin Merritt (Lily), Elijah Smith, and Austin Smith; great-grandchildren: Anna

Gorton (Colby); Jacob Gorton, Jakson Smith, Walker Smith, and Eleanor Smith, Angelia Blizzard; and great great-grandson, Emmett Cawthon).

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Merritt was preceded in death by his brother: Hoyt Merritt.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00pm on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at Townville Baptist Church with burial to follow at Oconee Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service, from 1:00pm – 2:00pm on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at Townville Baptist Church.

Flowers are accepted.

The family is at his son's residence.

Cemetery Details

Ocone Memorial Park

1923 Blue Ridge Boulevard
Seneca, SC 29672
<http://oconeememorialpark.com?>

Today's Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Townville Baptist Church
8816 Highway 24
Townville, SC 29689

Funeral Service

MAY 20. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Coneross Church of God purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. William "Moe" Crayton Merritt.*



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