



Myrtle Haynes Dawson

April 30, 1931 - February 23, 2026

Myrtle Tate Haynes Dawson, 94, of Ringgold passed away on Monday, February 23, 2026 at Roman Eagle Rehabilitation and Health Care Center.

Born on April 30, 1931, Myrtle was the daughter of the late Sam Henry Tate and Mamie Hudson Burgess Tate. She was the tenth of fourteen children, and the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Myrtle was well known for her unforgettable cooking, baking, and gardening. She also took pride in her commitment to serving Meals on Wheels, which allowed her to continue her service to the community.

Myrtle was a faithful member of Rock Springs United Methodist Church and served on the administrative board. She was also a member of Rocksprings UMW.

She was married to Edgar Leftwich Haynes Jr. who passed in 1959. She later married Linwood "Mann" Dawson in 1963. They enjoyed a wonderful life together until his passing in 1992.

Myrtle is survived by her daughter, Brenda Haynes Ruocco; grandchildren, Patrick Alan Ruocco (Kelly), Johanna Rose Ruocco and great-grandchildren, Anthony Patrick Ruocco and Heather Rose Ruocco. Also, Myrtle is survived

by many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husbands, Myrtle was preceded in death by 13 brothers and sisters.

She will be greatly missed by her family and community.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at Rock Springs United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends following the service.

Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes, North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Dawson family.

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

MAR 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Rock Springs Methodist Church
2445 Rocksprings Rd
Ringgold, VA 24586

Visitation Following the Service

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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Myrtle Haynes Dawson.

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“ Myrtle lived next door to me for 30 years, I couldn't have wished for a better neighbour ! So sweet, kind and generous and shared some amazing life stories. So many memories I'll always treasure ☐❤



Liz Kline - March 05 at 12:20 PM



“ Mrs. Ruocco, I am so very sorry about your mother. Im the RN who spoke to you about giving her the vaccine. After speaking to you, I went to give her your message, that you would see her the next morning and that you loved her. She nodded that she understood. But I had decided when I saw her, I would most definitely NOT give her any vaccine. She was so weak and frail looking. I left for the day after speaking to her. I was going to phone you my next scheduled day. But sadly she had passed away. Your mom spoke of you most lovingly, the times we spoke. You took great care of your mother. Please know that she knew how much you loved her. I pray The Lord will wrap you in His loving arms during the sad time.

Billie Wyatt - March 04 at 12:06 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album Myrtle and Lila



Linda Eminizer - March 03 at 10:47 AM

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Myrtle with Lila. They were always close. I hope they are together in heaven.

Linda Eminizer - March 03 at 10:50 AM

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Love those smiles !! ❤️❤️

Liz Kline - March 05 at 12:21 PM