



## *Myrtle Lee Willis Lawrence*

She lived her days with love and light.

Her hands were rarely still.

Her dedication to her family,  
Showed strength and a beautiful steel will.

She shared her faith in God.

You knew just where she stood.

Belief in His plan for her,

Meant she always saw the good.

When her golden heart stopped beating,

And from this earth she'd gone,

I know her soul sang with joy

When angels carried her home.

She left behind many broken hearts,

And a sadness almost too much to bear.

For it doesn't seem possible,

To go on without her here.

She led us all with faith and love,

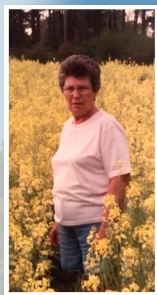
And so we surely know,

We'll all be reunited,

When it's our turn

For the angels to carry us home.

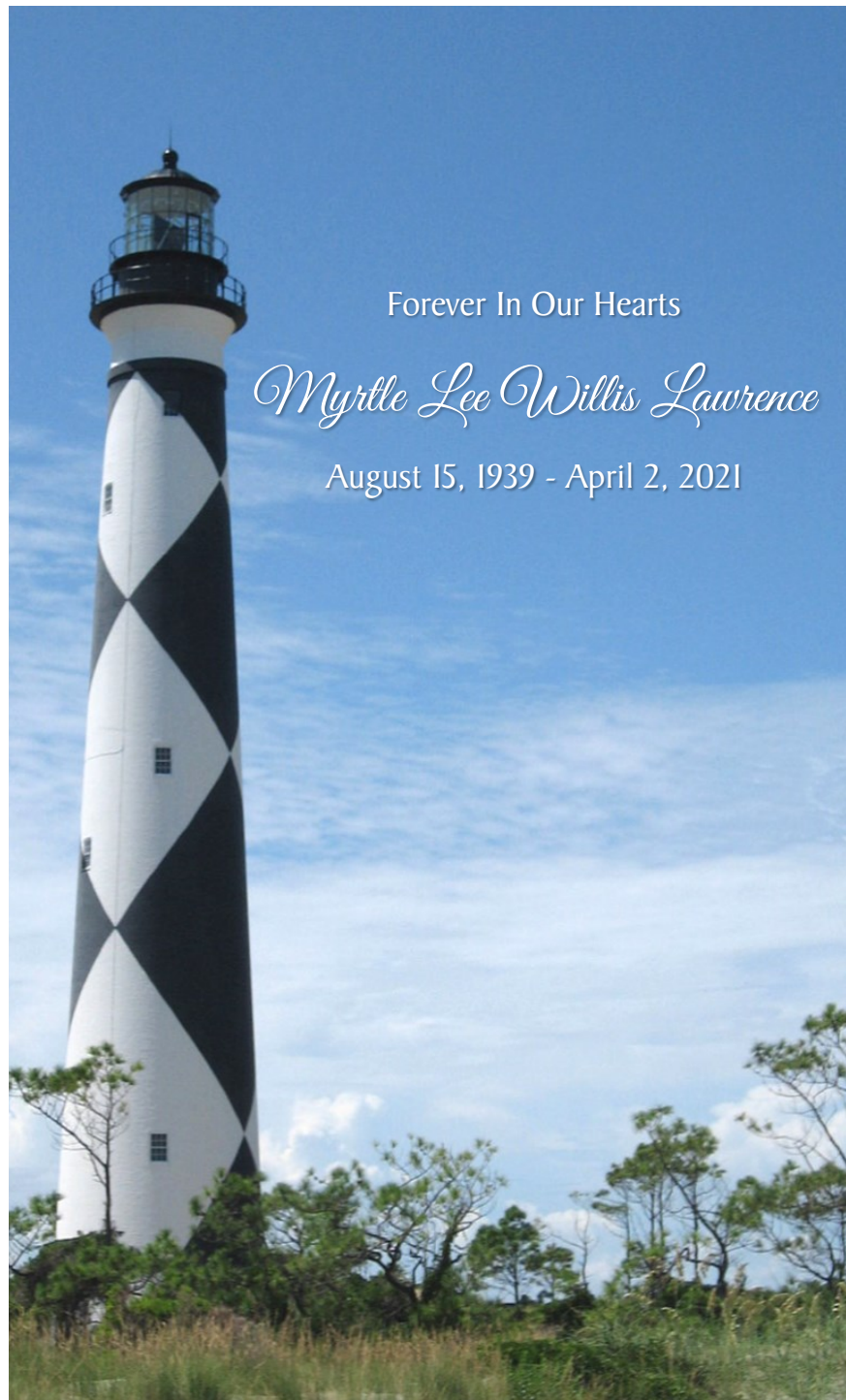
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Forever In Our Hearts

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## *Funeral Service*

11 a.m., Thursday, April 8, 2021  
Smyrna Pentecostal Holiness Church, Smyrna, NC  
Officiants, Rev. DJ Hunt, Rev. Charles Tyler  
Pianist, Emily Nelson

## *Order of Service*

Song, "Go Rest High on that Mountain"	BJ Lawrence
Welcome & Prayer	Rev. DJ Hunt
Song, "I Can Only Imagine"	BJ Lawrence
Remarks	Kari Willis, Jayme Russell
Song, "What a Day That Will Be"	Kim Lupton
Message	Rev. Charles Tyler
Closing Prayer	Rev. Charles Tyler

*The service will conclude at the Lawrence Family Cemetery in Otway.*

Please turn on bright lights and hazards in procession to the Cemetery.

## *Pallbearers*

BJ Lawrence  
Jason Willis

Jay Russell  
Blair Willis

Trey Russell  
Scotty Robinson



Myrtle Lee Willis Lawrence, 81, of Otway, passed away Friday, April 2, 2021, at Carteret Health Care.

Her funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, April 8, 2021, at Smyrna Pentecostal Holiness Church, officiated by Rev. DJ Hunt and Rev. Charles Tyler. Interment will follow at Lawrence Family Cemetery in Otway.

Myrtle Lee was born on August 15, 1939, in Stacy, North Carolina, to the late Eldon and Lina Willis. Her love for the Lord was evident to all who knew her, and she faithfully attended Island Road Baptist Church. She was affectionately known as "Granny" to those close to her.

She is survived by her children, Cindy Willis, Hassel B. Lawrence, Jr. "Brownie" and wife Debbie, and Juanita Russell and husband Jay, all of Otway; grandchildren, Renae Willis and husband Jason of Davis, Hassel Brown Lawrence, III "B.J." of Farmville, Kari Willis and husband Blair of Beaufort, Kacy Willis of Morehead City, Jack Russell, III "Trey" and wife Haley of Smyrna, and Jayme Russell of Otway; and great grandchildren, Carleigh Willis, Corey Willis, Madi Willis, Vivi Willis, Hayes Henry and Hudson Henry. Other survivors include her sister, Lura Jean Robinson and husband Dan of Ocracoke; sister-in-law, Judy Willis of Clayton; brother-in-law, Billy Lawrence and wife Millie of Otway; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband of 61 years, Hassel Brown Lawrence, Sr. "HB"; brothers, Carlton Hayes Willis and Roy Willis; and son-in-law, Chris Willis.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at Smyrna Pentecostal Holiness Church.

As an expression of sympathy, flowers are welcome, or memorial contributions, in memory of Myrtle Lee, may be made to Core Sound Waterfowl Museum and Heritage Center, P.O. Box 556, Harkers Island NC 28531 or Island Road Baptist Church, 836 Harkers Island Road, Beaufort, NC 28516.

*Arrangements by Munden Funeral Home, Morehead City, NC*