



Burma Lee Withrow Helm

June 14, 1939 - June 9, 2026

Burma Withrow Helm, a gracious and accomplished businesswoman, devoted mother, and pillar of her community, passed away June 9, 2026. She was 86 years old.

Burma was born and grew up in Nitro, West Virginia, the daughter of the late Gerald Martin Boggess and Margaret Evelyn Boggess. She overcame adversity and built the foundation for a life defined by determination and grace. Alongside her late husband, Russell W. Withrow, she owned and operated the Aluminum Building Products Company. From that foundation, she went on to found St. Albans Windows Manufacturing and Siding Company, which has seen decades of lasting success through vision and hard work.

Burma was deeply involved in her community, holding membership in numerous organizations including the Charleston Woman's Club, various sororities, and the Home Builders Association of Charleston, where she was a longstanding member. She was also a member of Calvary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Millard R. Mitchell.

Above all, Burma cherished her family. She had a caring heart and was always willing to lend a hand to those in need. She loved to travel and had a deep appreciation for music of many kinds. Known for her grace and

composure, she carried herself with a quiet elegance that left a lasting impression on everyone she met. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Burma was preceded in death by her parents, Gerald Martin Boggess and Margaret Evelyn Boggess; her husband, Russell W. Withrow (1984); her son, Russell W. Withrow Jr. (2012); and her brothers, Paul Boggess and Tom Boggess.

She is survived by her daughter, Valerie J. Grass; son, Robert G. Withrow, and his wife, VeEtta L. Withrow; brothers: David Boggess, Bill Boggess, and Jerry Boggess; her sisters: Vada Ryan, Nancy Lovell, and Cindy Murphy; grandchildren: Olivia Spears, Trevor Withrow, Trey Withrow, Eric Grass, Andrea Harris, Stephanie Grass, Ben Grass, Loren Withrow, Gavin Withrow, Logan Withrow, and Hunter Withrow; and nine great-grandchildren.

A private memorial service was held for Burma on June 18, 2026, for immediate family. A celebration of life will be held on August 9, 2026, and is by invitation only.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may do so by visiting Burma's tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the family.