



Sharon Blankenship

June 15, 1951 - March 21, 2015

Sharon Blankenship, age 63 of Crystal Springs, MS, passed away on March 21, 2015. Sharon Kay (Mangrum) Blankenship was born on June 15, 1951 in Tulsa, OK to Irven and Jannie (McKnight) Mangrum. Sharon grew up in Tulsa and later moved to Denver, CO where she finished high school. In 1969 she attended Southwestern College in Oklahoma City, OK where she met the love of her life, Darrel Blankenship. They were married for over 43 years. Together they had one son, Justin. A Sharon was a homemaker and spent her time taking care of her family and working at the church. She spent over 40 years as the Pastor A€™s wife of Springs of Praise. Sharon loved the Lord and loved people and diligently served both. In the last few months of her life she enjoyed being a mother-in-law to Bri and a Grandmother to Deiken. A She was preceded in death by: Her parents, Irven and Jannie Mangrum, and one Daughter-in-law Bri Blankenship. A Survivors include: Rev. Darrel Blankenship of the home, Rev. Justin Blankenship of Purcell, OK. One sister, Betty Moss and husband Joe of Casper, WY. Three brothers, Johnny Mangrum of wife Barbara of Lago Vista, TX, Danny Mangrum and wife Karen of Arvada, CO and Mark Mangrum of Arvada, CO, and one Grandson, Deiken. A Funeral Services are scheduled for: Visitation at Springs of Praise in Crystal Springs, MS on Monday from 5pm-8pm. Funeral Service, Tuesday at 11am at Springs of Praise. She will also have a funeral service in Purcell, OK on Thursday at 10am at Landmark Church with burial following at McGee Cemetery in Stratford, OK.,

Tribute Wall



“ Sharon Blankenship

January 28, 2023 at 04:45 PM



“ You were a beautiful, amazing, encouraging and loving woman of God. I will miss you very much. I am so glad God put you and Bro. Darrel in my life. When I think of you I will smile with memories and shed a tear for our loss. I look forward to seeing you again on those streets of gold!,

Colleen Dowd - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ We're so sorry to hear about your mom. You have a very good attitude, Justin, in what you said about her being in heaven celebrating her homecoming with Bri and her grandbaby. Praying for you. We love you. Royce and Bretta Poston,

Royce and Bretta Poston - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Mangum Family my sincere condolences for the loss of your sweet sister, mother, aunt, g-ma, wife and friend I'm sure to so many. God's blessing of peace to you all,

Pam Glastetter - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ This lady was such an inspiration to me a true example of a faithful servant.,

Shelley Benton - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ The memories we hold dearest and closest are those of family and friends. Darrel you have been blessed by the Lord to have had both in Sharon as a lifelong friend and companion on this journey of life and love together. Erika and I still remember the both of you, at Southwestern College, as being meant for each other, walking the campus "hand-n-hand". Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Sharon touched many lives and she will be missed.
Dwayne & Erika Folmer Corvallis, Mont.,

Dwayne and Erika Folmer - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ so sorry to hear of ms blankenship's passing. keeping you and your family in my prayers.,

florria broocks carrell - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ So sorry for your loss. Heaven has received a beautiful spirit who has served her Lord with love and grace. Justin my family is praying for you. You display God's love, mercy and grace to our community and I know your mom and dad are so proud of you. May your memories warm your heart and make you smile. Love and prayers to you and your dad.,

Debbie Gantz & family - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ So sorry for your loss Bro.Blankenship and Jusin. Praying for the family comfort that only Jesus can give. Love you both.,

Stephaney Brown Ashley - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PQ

“ Sis. Sharon, I have always loved and admired you and your faith in God! You have fought the fight and kept the faith, and now you are receiving your eternal reward! We will love and miss you!,

Paul, Tonya, and Hannah Queen - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Sis. Sharon I will always love and remember you. You were such a blessing to all of us, you were always concerned about everyone else no matter how you felt. You loved people, but most of all you loved your Lord and it showed in your life. You were such an inspiration to me. Your faith was so strong right up to the very last breath. We have lost a precious Lady and Heaven has gained an Angel. You will be missed tremendously.,

Sylvia Langford - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ She will be missed greatly, a wonderful sister. Joe & Betty Moss,

Joe & Betty Moss - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Sharon was more than a friend to me. She was everything a wonderful woman of God should be and more. I know she's praising the Lord at this moment. I will miss her terribly. Bro Darrel, you and Justin and in my thoughts and prayers and always in my heart.,

Beverly Burns - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Sharon only had one natural son, but had many children in the spirit, and we are all going to miss her greatly. But we all know she is rejoicing in the arms of Jesus now. She trusted Him completely. She is now healed, young again and having a wonderful time in her new home. Probably holding that precious grand baby that she was looking forward to having. And looking forward to the day the rest of her family will join her there.,

Debby Clark - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Sharon IS one of the most Faithful, Dedicated, Compassionate women I have ever had the privilege of knowing. Her sweet ability to love everyone around her made an enormous impression on my life. Even more important she loves Jesus and the real Sharon, who is SPIRIT and never dies, is now having that stroll all over heaven. Our loss, is definitely heaven's gain. May we all be found FAITHFUL to the end.....,

Lou Ellen Hoffman, Living Word Church - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Praying for your family and that you feel God's love more than ever during this time. I love Mrs. Sharon and all of your family as so many others do and have been so blessed to have known all of you.,

Angi Clark - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Praying for you and Justin, Darrel. I know Sharon and Bri are having a wonderful reunion.,

Becky Owens Handley - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Prayers to the family,

Tammy Mann - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Prayers are going up for you Darrel and Justin. We will really miss Sharon but we are glad that we know she is no longer suffering and is with her heavenly father and rejoicing with the saints! God bless you!,

Micky Clark - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ My prayer is that our Lord Jesus Christ,holds this family tight in this time,but we know sister Sharon is singing and dancing on those mighty streets of gold,no more pain,no more sickness,Lord please Bless this Family Amen Amen,

Sherry Knight - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Mom and I are so sorry for your loss. She was such a wonderful person. Mom asked me to convey to you her sympathies and tell you how much it meant to her through the years when you were always there for my Dad, Rev. Charles King and our family. We are praying for you and Justin. Lynn King Merle King,

Lynn King and Merle King - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Maybe now I can face this reality. Sharon and I met at Youth Camp in Woodland Park, CO when I was about 14, and she was 13. She was assigned to our family's cabin. One thing I remember in particular is that she brought an extraordinary amount of shoes. I think that probably influenced me to begin a shoe fetish! She was from Denver, a city girl, and I was from the COUNTRY, but we became close friend but only saw each other a few time a year. We visited in other's home, our mothers became friends and corresponded until Jannie passed, and I found that her family were just country people who lived in the city. Her mom would heat up the kitchen even in the summer to make cornbread most every night. However, Sharon had a job and rode the city bus to work which was foreign to me. Her pastor and his wife, Robert and Liz Clark, helped us to arrange to see each other. They would bring her to Youth Camp and Campmeeting. One time we had someone? put up a tent for us, so we wouldn't have to stay with "adults". That lasted about one night because when it rained, the water collected right over our 'bed' and soaked through. One summer, Liz paid my bus ticket to Denver, so I could sew for her. Then, I began to sew for Sharon, too. The summer between my freshman and sophomore year at OKC Southwestern in OKC, I went to visit Sharon, and she bought a sewing machine which she brought to Soutwestern the next year. We were roommates, and I sewed clothes for her and me to share as well as sewed for other people. That was my 'job' that year. We doubled dated some then she met Darrel. I remember their first date. After that year I got married , and she and Darrel got married the next summer. She was in my wedding, and I was in hers and made her wedding dress. Her dream was to be a pastor's wife, and I know she was a blessing to so many. After they married, they bought a house down the street from us on Meridian and 18th street. My husband, Jerry, was from MS and LA, but it was Sharon who moved to Mississippi. We always thought that was ironic. Over the years we have been in contact but not nearly enough. I will always cherish our friendship.,

Glenda Rodgers Boone - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Job 19:25 - 26 *"For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body , yet in my flesh shall I see God."*,

Jeremiah Mdlalir - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *I've heard so much about this lady from Bro. Rick and Sis. Theresa Lee, there our Pastor and wife and even tho I've never met her I feel as to I do...God be with the family during this time...Shes been such a courageous lady through this battle...Sounds like a wonderful woman do God....,*

Donna Robinson - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I want to extend our condolences to the Blankenship and Mangrum families. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God's peace and strength be with you!,*

David and Debra Sidebottom - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ *I am so sorry for your loss! May God be with you Bro. Darrell and your family. Our prayers are with you.,*

Frankie Moore - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Darrel, Justin, Deiken, I am so sorry for your loss. Sharon was such a dear sweet person and I loved her very much. Sharon and I met at Southwestern College, and became fast friends. For me Sharon will always be the young, innocent, optimist. A beautiful girl who loved people and saw life as a gift. I loved her laugh and her counsel. I have a picture of the two of us sitting on the bed chatting about anything and everything. Her friendship was a special gift to me that I will always treasure. My heart breaks for the family she leaves behind, but Heaven is a sweeter place knowing she's there.,

Kathy Reaves Austin - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ Darrel and Justin: You are in our hearts and our prayers. Our Lord is the "God of all comfort" and will come to your side to bear this load. Blessings.2922,

Bob and Edith Ely - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IN

“ Darrel and Justin, again there are no words except those of heartbreak and sorrow and our sincere expression of how sorry we are for your overwhelming loss. Our prayers are added to all the others that God upholds you both.,

Irene and Chuck Niemyer - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ As her Christian family here at New Beginnings Worship Center we want to say that she will surely be missed as a sister. Our church will be praying for the peace of God for her loved ones here on earth. Rev. John Eschete and New Beginnings members,

New Beginnings Worship Center - April 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM