



Phyllis Blankenship

August 6, 1939 - June 16, 2009

Phyllis Ruth Blankenship, age 69, of Richlands, VA, passed away on Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at a local Richlands, VA hospital following a brief illness. She was born in Jewell Ridge, Virginia and was the daughter of the late Roy Lee and Sarah Atwell Blankenship. She was a Richlands High School graduate class of 1957. After receiving a four year degree from college she became a bookkeeper for Precision Testing Laboratories and later worked at C.I.T. Financial Services in Richlands, VA. She was a member of Ivy Spring Baptist Church and was the church pianist and she was in good standing with several other community churches. She will be truly missed by all who knew and loved her. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by 5 brothers, R.E. "Bliss" Blankenship, Ed Blankenship, Jack Blankenship, Charles Blankenship and Harold Ray Blankenship. Those who survive her are Her Nieces: Teresa Keene of Richlands, VA Beverly Farmer of Rosedale, VA Connie Hill of Roanoke, VA Her Nephews: Stanley E. Blankenship of Abingdon, VA Randall K. Blankenship of Independence, VA Keith Blankenship of Wytheville, VA J.B. Blankenship of Florida Special Friend, Bud Jackson of Richlands, VA Special Cat, Lulu A graveside service will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 2:00 pm at the Greenhills Memory Gardens Mausoleum at Claypool Hill, VA with the Rev. Phillip Cook officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens immediately following the service.

Tribute Wall



“ *Phyllis Blankenship*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Phyllis Blankenship*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Phyllis, I was stunned when Becky called and told me you wwere gone. I was looking forwarding to spending some time with you in August. I am grateful that you were given another year on this earth, that was truly a miracle. When I last saw you in the hospital in Kingsport, you were so very sick, I didn't think you leave the hospital alive. When my Mother died, we took her home for her final resting place. I had driven straight through from FL and my first stop was at GreenHills cemetery to make arrangements. Much to my surprise, you were there waiting for me. I have no idea how long you were there, because I hadn't told anyone the time I would arrive. It was comforting to be met by such a wonderful friend at that sad time in my life. Until we meet again, in God's own sweet time. Rest in peace my friend.*

Jean Jewell - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I always enjoyed taking care of Phyllis. She was a sweet lady. We will miss having her around.*

Tammy Evans - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Phyllis was a very unique person and I will miss her emails and the light on in her kitchen letting me know that she was home. The stray cats in our neighborhood have lost a very caring friend as I have. I know Phyllis is in Heaven and healthy now. She is probably asking Jesus where the cats are. I am glad that Phyllis was a part of my life and I hope in some small way I helped to make her life better.*

Judy C. West - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *Want to send my condolences to Phyllis's neices & nephews Phyllis was a great lady she was a good friend we knew each other since i was little knew her Mom & Dad ..I always enjoyed going to work for Phyllis & her Mom they was such nice people to work for..Phyllis will be missed*

Debbie - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Everyone will miss Phyllis..she was a sweet and very lovable lady...Don& Shirley*

Donald and Shirley Dye - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Phyllis and I were best friends from childhood. We went through grade school and high school together. We graduated in 1957 - not 1958, as the obituary stated. I love Phyllis dearly. I recall her receiving a letter from Santa Claus when we were around 7 or 8 years old and we just "knew" it had to be from him because it was in red ink! Each time I have visited family in Richlands, I have always visited with Phyllis, as well. And we emailed each other practically every day! I will miss her very much. Please know that her family is in my prayers and if there is anything I can do to help, please let me know. Love, Mary Harden.*

Mary Rachel Smith Harden - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy for the loss of Phyllis. We learned about Phyllis thru Pastor Phillip Cook. Our hearts are saddened by your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Beverly Perkins - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *My condolences. May you look to the time when Isaiah 33:24 "And no resident will say: "I am sick." The people that are dwelling in [the land] will be those pardoned for their error.", will be fulfilled. Take comfort in each other and in your good memories. Let others help.*

A. Cole - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ I always look forward to meeting Phyllis once or twice a year at Ivy Springs Church and always enjoyed her piano playing and she always took time to visit and talk with me after church. I learned a lot about this truly dedicated person thru my nephew Rev. Phillip Cook. He took time to keep us all updated so we could send Phyllis cards and words of encouragement. I truly feel God gave her some extra time to be an inspiration to others. She will be missed. I love the choice of songs for her service and the people that will be doing them. That music selection says a lot about the person that Phyllis was. REST IN POEACE PHYLLIS. Deepest sympathy to her family and Church Family. Betty Dodrill

Betty Dodrill - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ My husband and I met Phyllis while visiting my cousin, Pastor Phillip Cook. We visit Virginia in the Fall and attend church services at Ivy Springs.

We came to know Phyllis through the church, where she played the piano beautifully. She was a lovely and gracious lady. She seemed so happy just to be healthy enough to attend church.

We followed her long bouts of hospitalization and admired her ability to bounce back from severe medical problems.

We know she will be missed by her church family, as well as her "fat cat", Lulu.

Good-bye Phyllis, and thanks for the lovely music!

Linda Klassen - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *The lord giveth and the Lord taketh away blessed be the name of the Lord.*

Phyllis will be missed by all he knew and loved her. Its not goodbye its just until we meet again.

Phyllis is at rest with Jesus the one she loved most.

She will be missed

Pastor Phillip

and members of Ivy Spring Baptist Church

Pastor Phillip Cook - June 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM