



## Jack D. Blankenship

October 25, 1934 - March 19, 2017

SPANISHBURG – Jack D. Blankenship, 82, formerly of Spanishburg, died Sunday, March 19, 2017 at the Rockin’ Chair Residential Care in Lerona. Born October 25, 1934 at Mullens, he was the son of the late Thomas Roy “T.R.” Blankenship and Ada Walls Blankenship.

Mr. Blankenship was a lifelong member of Rich Creek Baptist Church in Spanishburg where he formerly served as a deacon, youth leader and Sunday school teacher. He was a self-employed upholsterer and refinisher for over 50 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Marvis Goad Blankenship; one grandson, Jacob Havens; one brother, Paul Blankenship; and five sisters, Edith Blankenship, Pauline Crawford, Duvall Bailey, Margaret Runyon and Augusta Stinette.

Survivors include one daughter, Jackie Havens and husband Stacey of Princeton; three grandchildren, Leanne McKinney and husband Chad of Johnson City TN, Josh Havens and wife Kari of Bland, VA and Jordan Havens of Rocky Gap, VA; three great-grandchildren, Atlas McKinney and Dylan and Jacob Havens; several nieces and nephews; and his loving extended family at the Rockin’ Chair.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 2017 at the Rowland H. Bailey Funeral Chapel of the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with the Rev. Ralph Calfee and Rev. Jamie Mattox officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton.

Serving as pallbearers will be Freddie Conner, James Archer, Tommy Blankenship, Ronnie Wellman, Daniel Dunn, Donald White, Russell Calfee and David White. Barry Wellman, Carl Cook and Raymond Robinson will serve as honorary pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Rich Creek Baptist Church, P.O. Box 101, Spanishburg, WV 25922 or to the First Baptist Church "Moving Forward Together Fund," 1116 Mercer St., Princeton, WV 24740.

The family will receive friends Thursday, March 23, 2017 from noon until service hour at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. To view a video tribute to Mr. Blankenship, or share condolences with the family, please visit [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

Please check back here after noon on Thursday to view a video memorial tribute to Mr. Blankenship.

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Memorial Gardens

450 Courthouse Road  
Princeton, WV 24740

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 23. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jack D. Blankenship*

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Jackie sorry to hear about your dad. Carl and I wasn't able to come due to health problems. You and your family are in our thought and prayers*

**molly dickerson** - March 23, 2017 at 12:18 PM



“ *Stephen & Vickey Goad purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jack D. Blankenship.*

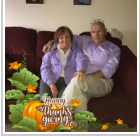


**Stephen & Vickey Goad** - March 23, 2017 at 07:53 AM



“ *A man after Gods own heart. Always smiling, kind, gentle and full of Gods graces.*

**Betsy Whittington** - March 22, 2017 at 04:11 PM



“ To Jack's family. Jack and Mavis were always so caring and kind to me and my mother. Mom would spend time with Jack's sister, Duvalle, when she was ill. Duvalle was my mom's sister-in-law and Jack always made sure they had what they might need. It is so sad to see our parents grow older and knowing we can't do anything about it except be there for the. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I know Mom would want me to let you know how sorry she is and that she thought so much of both Mavis and Jack, but is now in nursing facility with dementia and most of the time doesn't remember a whole lot.

*Praying for you!*  
*Vickie Bailey White*

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**Vickie White** - March 22, 2017 at 05:04 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jack D. Blankenship.



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March 21, 2017 at 09:05 PM



“ Jackie, I'm so sorry for your loss. Jack was one of my favorite deliveries for all the time I worked at UPS. I'd stop in some times just to see what he was working on and maybe pick up a trade secret if he was in the mood! Such a kind guy every day.

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**Rick Spriggs** - March 21, 2017 at 06:03 PM

RS

“ Jackie, your dad was a very special man and I admired him very much. Mayce and Ceberth loved him and I'm sure they along with your Mother and all the rest of those who are with the Lord are having a happy reunion. The first time I met Jack was in 71 when I was doing my student teaching. We were at a Sports Banquet and you brought him up to me and said "This is my Daddy.". I remember it like it was yesterday. You were so proud of him. Love to your family. Rae

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Rae Shrewsbury - March 21, 2017 at 02:03 PM

CL

“ Jackie - So sorry to hear of your father's passing. He was a good man and I am happy to have known him and your mother all of my life. I know it was hard on him (and you) to live on without your mother, but God has now reunited them. May you continue to know the comfort of God's tremendous love.

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Carla Leslie - March 21, 2017 at 10:20 AM

SW

Jackie so sorry for your loss. what little time he spent with us was a blessing. he was greatly loved .and you were a great daughter .he loved you very much and we all loved him. Sylvia airwana della charley and the rest of the staff at .the rocking chair

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sylvia white - March 22, 2017 at 04:56 PM

CC

“ Jackie, many people pass our way throughout out lives, but your dad was our special "Earth Angel" sent from above. His smile was infectious and we always saw that every morning when he would walk across the yard to visit for Carl and his "council meeting" as they called it. We prayed, laughed and cried together in our many trials and tribulations, but always knew whenever we were in his presence, we were children of God. May you be blessed in your memories of such a fine man and we always remember your mom also. May their souls have eternal rest.

*With love and sympathy,  
Cathy and Carl Cook*

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**Cathy and Carl Cook** - March 21, 2017 at 09:07 AM

BS

“ Jackie, I will never forget your sweet dad the day of Leanne's wedding! What a fine, jovial guy he was, standing in charge of seven ladies, waiting to be seated. I know you will miss him terribly. Our family will be unable to see yours that day, but know that our prayers are with you all.

*Love, Cathy and Sack*

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**Buford and Cathy Saddler** - March 20, 2017 at 11:38 PM