



## Jr. Blankenship

April 2, 1951 - January 26, 2022

Lavaughn Blankenship, Jr., 70, of Muskogee, Oklahoma went to be with his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, January 26, 2022. He was born on April 2, 1951 to James Lavaughn Blankenship and Ruby (Tidwell) Blankenship in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Junior was a high school graduate.

He married the love of his life, Paula Russell, on August 31, 1970. They shared over 51 years of life, marriage, family and many memories together. Junior enjoyed being outdoors and working with his land. You could usually find him tinkering with his lawn mowers and tending to his garden or his fruit trees. He loved to fish and his grand-babies, but not as much as he loved his Jesus. Junior never missed a Sunday at church and was always ready to worship his Jesus. He also loved sharing God's word with anyone and everyone.

The rest of his days were filled with football and NASCAR. His favorite place to go was Burger King for breakfast and it was an every day routine. Everyone there knew him by name and already had his order entered when he walked in the door.

If you knew Junior, you knew he was a cut-up and knew he always had something sassy to say. He was as stubborn as stubborn comes and he loved harassing his kids any chance he got. He never said anything without a smile on his face. His smile and his laugh could light up any room and will never be forgotten.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Ruby Blankenship; and

granddaughter, Kamryn Wallis.

Junior is survived by his loving wife, Paula Blankenship; daughters, Stephanie Palmer and husband Nathan, Karissa Wallis and husband Kevin, and Katie Sellars; son James Blankenship; grandchildren, Matthew Palmer, Adam Palmer, James Blankenship, Jr., Christopher Blankenship, Nicholas Blankenship, Garrett Blankenship, Braylie Sellars, Kendyl Blankenship and Kylee Wallis; great-grandchildren, Daxton Burch, Laikyn Palmer, Elaina Cole and Anna Blankenship; sister, Nan Ashwood; and many nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

A celebration of Junior's life will be 2PM, Monday, January 31, 2022 at Oldham Memorial Baptist Church with Pastor Glen Little officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **29**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Visitation

JAN **30**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Service

JAN **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Oldham Memorial Baptist Church  
3605 Tahlequah Street  
Muskogee, OK 74401



# Tribute Wall



“ *Jr. Blankenship*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Tammie Dickson sent a virtual gift in memory of Jr. Blankenship*



tammie dickson - January 28, 2022 at 06:36 PM



“ *Rest In Peace my favorite brother in-law*



tammie dickson - January 28, 2022 at 06:32 PM



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**Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory** - January 28, 2022 at 02:36 PM



“ *You have always been bigger than life. Will miss your hugs. You were a great uncle.*

**Debra Ashwood** - January 27, 2022 at 07:18 PM



“ *I always loved visiting with him...A great all-around guy and a longtime friend....Thoughts and prayers are with his wonderful family and friends....*

**Tony Loney** - January 27, 2022 at 05:58 PM