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Danielle Regina Benson, 35, passed away on September 21, 2020. “And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, Neither sorrow, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.” Revelation 21:4 Danielle Regina Benson, the beloved daughter of Rose M. Benson and Reginald Thomas, was born July 16, 1985, in Fort Hood, Texas. September 19, 2020, after many battles fought and many victories won, she transitioned into Heaven to be with the Lord for eternal rest.

Danielle grew up in Memphis, Tennessee. She was baptized at an early age and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior. Though she grew up in Memphis, she remained a loyal Dallas Cowboy fan due to her roots in Texas. Throughout her life, she had an insatiable appetite for learning and adventure - attributes that were the cornerstone of her life. Her “can do” attitude and spirit prevented her from letting anything get in the way of her ambitions. During the summer months of her high school years, she participated in various summer camps and learned many lifelong leadership skills. Two notable camps that she attended were the Robinsonville JROTC Summer Camp where she learned to rappel and The Citadel Summer Camp in Charleston, South Carolina. Danielle was an excellent student and graduated with honors from Raleigh Egypt High School. She was also awarded certificates of recognition for Computer Technology from the American Legion for Scholastic Excellence which was sponsored by the Memphis American Legion, Post No 1, The Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Inc. for successfully completing the United States Air Force South Carolina AFJROTC Cadet Officer Leadership School, and the Business Professionals of American State Competition. She distinguished herself, rising from the rank of Sergeant to Cadet Officer in her senior year. Danielle set goals, had high expectations for herself, and took advantage of every opportunity. She worked diligently in pursuit of becoming an aviator. She applied and was accepted into the Delaware State University Aviation Program during the summer of 2004. She learned to fly a single-engine aircraft and had to perform a solo flight in order to graduate. She successfully met the criteria. She always said, “I knew how to fly a plane before I got my driver’s license.” Danielle was always a writer, and as a child, wrote short stories that her mother didn’t



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always understand but encouraged her. Danielle's writing skills were honed in high school by two special teachers - Mrs. JoAnn Hollenbach and Mrs. Sherry Simmons. Her compositions were well-composed and expressive; however, she was dismayed when Mrs. Simmons used one of her papers that she said was still in draft form as a model for the class. Her excellent composition skills earned a perfect score on her first writing assessment test. Danielle's love of education never ceased and continued with her acceptance into Xavier University - New Orleans, Louisiana, Middle Tennessee State University- Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and later, the University of Missouri-St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri where she pursued a degree in Computer Science/English. She loved the written word and tutoring others. She developed a love for using that "red pen" - a skill inherited from her two favorite teachers. She tutored young girls in St. Louis, volunteered with the Porter Leath Ragin Cajun Festival in Memphis and volunteered as well participated in Zombie Runs and the Glow Run. In 2007, Danielle was selected to participate in the prestigious Walt Disney Professional Internship Program where she worked side-by-side with industry leaders in Orlando, Florida. During the summer of 2010, she was selected to participate in the Defense Information System Agency (DISA) as an Intern and worked in the Computer Science Directorate. Danielle's work experiences spanned various industries from retail to mortgages. She worked as a Disclosure Specialist for State Farm from August 2012 to December 2016, in St. Louis, MO. In 2017, she was promoted to a Post Closure position with State Farm in Phoenix, AZ. In February, she accepted a position with American Home Mortgage as a Post Closer and a Closer. With limited training as a Closer, she exceeded the required number of closing six loans per day. August 24, 2020 was the first day of her dream jobs with Celebrity Home Loans where she was employed until her demise. Danielle loved and appreciated life and lived each day fully. Her experiences were vast. Her extensive foreign and domestic travel gave her unique experiences that broadened and enriched her life as well as the lives of so many others. Her adventurous, loving spirit will be remembered and cherished.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Ulysses Benson and her grandmother, Ms. Martha Thomas. She leaves to cherish her memory: her mother Rose M. Benson, her father Reginald Thomas (Valerie), her dearly beloved brother, Derrick E. Benson and a host of family and friends.

A gathering of family and friends will be held Thursday October 1, 2020 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM. A Celebration of Life Service will be held Friday October 2, 2020 at 1:00 PM at Memorial Park Funeral Home Riverside Chapel. A graveside service will immediately follow at Pleasant Rest Memorial Gardens.



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To view the Celebration of Life Service click the following link:

<http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/37976>

To view the tribute slideshow click the following link:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/87DCC8FXGN2JT8D4>



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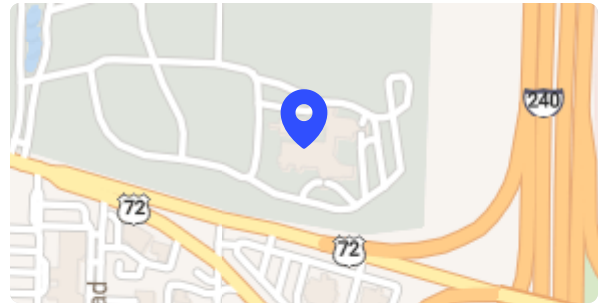
Gathering

 **Thursday**, October 1, 2020

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT

 **Memorial Park Funeral Home-Riverside Chapel**

5668 Poplar Avenue, Memphis TN 38119



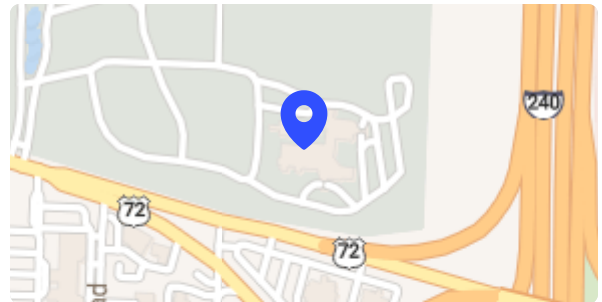
Celebration of Life

 **Friday**, October 2, 2020


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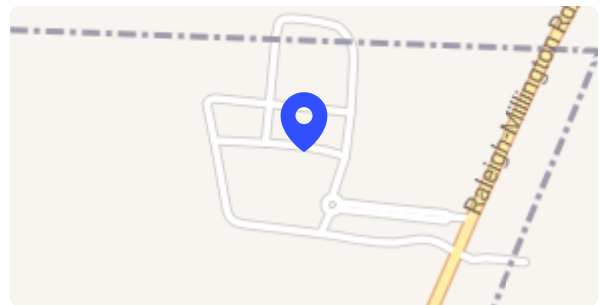
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Cemetery Details

 **Pleasant Rest Memorial Gardens**
6235 Raleigh Millington Rd, Millington TN 38053





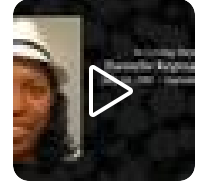
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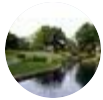


September 30 at 12:31 PM

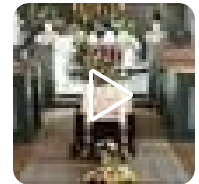


Jennifer October 21 at 8:15 AM

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Memorial Park Funeral Home And Cemetery shared a **To view the funeral service click here:**



October 2 at 4:42 AM



Shawn Redmond posted:

My deepest sympathies and condolences to the Benson family. Danielle and I worked together at State Farm when she was in St. Louis. She was in a different department than I was but we occasionally would be in contact. One thing I will always remember is her infectious laugh (which usually came from something I did or said) but we had some fun times before she relocated. Rest in Heaven, Danielle. You will be missed. To Danielle's family: I will keep you all in my thoughts and pray for strength and comfort during this difficult time. God Bless You all. Shawn

October 1 at 5:19 PM



Alice S. Robbins & Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Benson family.



October 1 at 4:17 PM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Benson family.



October 1 at 10:11 AM



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Debra Hawkins shared an album called **Memories Album**.



September 30 at 11:40 AM



Kristin Steinlage sent an Arrive in Style to the Benson family.



September 30 at 4:06 AM



Bill & Rita Reese sent a Guiding Light Bouquet to the Benson family.



September 30 at 2:56 AM



Anonymous sent a Bountiful Rose Basket to the Benson family.



September 29 at 9:22 AM



Betty J Carey lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

To the Benson and Thomas Family
Safely Home
by Author Unknown
I am home in heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright. There is a perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, safely home in heaven at last. Did you wonder I so calmly trod the valley of the shade? Oh, but Jesus' love illuminated every dark and fearful glade. And He came Himself to meet me in the way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' arm to lean on, could I have one doubt or dread? Then you must not grieve so sorely, for I love you dearly still. Try to look beyond death's shadows; Pray to trust our Father's will. There is work still waiting for you, so you must not idly stand. Do it now, while life remaineth; you shall rest in Jesus' land. With Heartfelt Sympathy
Betty Carey



September 29 at 5:27 AM



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Nickki Harris sent a virtual gift in honor of Danielle.

To my fellow Pharoah and always a sweet kind-hearted person you will be missed.

September 28 at 9:55 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Benson family.

September 28 at 5:58 PM



-Your Magellan Family And Friends! sent an Arrive in Style to the Benson family.

September 28 at 8:09 AM



Anonymous sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Benson family.

September 27 at 6:34 PM



Anonymous sent a Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet to the Benson family.

September 27 at 11:48 AM



Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Benson family.

September 27 at 10:35 AM





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Taura Turner posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God give you comfort for mourning and a garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. God bless you.

September 27 at 2:44 AM



Shenishea Cristle posted:

We had been friends since 8 grade. God has truly received a angel. I loved her like a sister. I will miss you.

September 26 at 8:58 PM



Anonymous sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Benson family.



September 26 at 7:17 PM



Johnny Scott lit a candle in honor of Danielle.



September 26 at 1:45 AM



Shelton Marshall-Esq shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

On behalf of the Raleigh-Egypt High Class of 2003, we send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Danielle Benson. She was a loved member of your class and a wonderful spirit. I had the pleasure of serving with her in AFJROTC and several other organizations while in high school. She will truly be missed. Rest Well Dear Friend, Shelton L. Marshall, Esq.



September 23 at 11:29 AM



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KJ

Kimberley Jones lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

Ms. Rose, Sending sincere condolences to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time and may God continue to bless and keep you always. Kimberley S. Jones

September 25 at 12:44 PM



BE

Bonnie Edwards lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

September 25 at 10:34 AM



BC

Betty J Carey lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

September 25 at 9:08 AM



AL

Anidra Lomax lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

Dear Ms. Benson. You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of your daughter. I am praying that God will strengthen your heart at this difficult time. Sincerely, Anidra Lomax. Memphis Area Legal Services, Inc.

September 24 at 7:32 PM



CA

Carolyn lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

Mary, our condolences to your family on the passing of our cousin Danielle. Please know that we love you and we are here for you ~ Team Hall, Killeen, Texas

September 23 at 5:17 PM



TW

Terry Womble lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

September 23 at 1:42 PM





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SK

Sylvia Knight lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

Prayers for the family may GOD grant u the strength during your time of need

September 23 at 12:13 PM



MB

Marika Benson lit a candle in honor of Danielle.

September 23 at 12:08 PM



TB

Tyrone Benson posted:

With deepest sympathy you will be missed but never forgotten till we meet up Love U Princess Danielle Regina Benson Uncle Tyrone and Family

September 23 at 12:07 PM

TW

Terry Womble posted:

Danielle will be truly missed! Remember Rose that earth has no sorry that Heaven can't heal! We are praying! Your people in Clarksdale Ms...The Womble's 🙏

September 23 at 11:32 AM

MB

Mary Brackins shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My fondest memory of Danielle was my wedding I watched you dance the night away Rest Peacefully ..May God give Her parents Brother and the Rest of Our Family Strength at this time...

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Danielle by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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