



Danielle Regina Benson

July 16, 1985 - September 21, 2020

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 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.

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>

Cemetery

Events

Pleasant Rest Memorial Gardens **OCT**

6235 Raleigh Millington Rd
Millington, TN, 38053

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Gathering

05:00PM - 07:00PM

Memorial Park Funeral Home-Riverside Chapel
5668 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN, US, 38119

OCT

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Celebration of Life

01:00PM

Memorial Park Funeral Home-Riverside Chapel
5668 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN, US, 38119

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery - October 02, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ An external video has been added.



Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery - September 30, 2020 at 05:31 PM



“ Danielle will be truly missed. Such a lovely soul. My deepest sympathy to Danielle's family. I worked with her at Statefarm in St Louis and we tried to stay in touch with an occasional phone call. I am going to miss her kind words and hearing about her progress in her career. Forever a friend.

Jennifer

Jennifer - October 21, 2020 at 01:15 PM



“ 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

Shawn Redmond - October 01, 2020 at 10:19 PM



“ Alice S. Robbins & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



Alice S. Robbins & Family - October 01, 2020 at 09:17 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



October 01, 2020 at 03:11 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Debra Hawkins - September 30, 2020 at 04:40 PM



“ Kristin Steinlage purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



Kristin Steinlage - September 30, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ Bill & Rita Reese purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



Bill & Rita Reese - September 30, 2020 at 07:56 AM



“ Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 29, 2020 at 02:22 PM



“ 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
Trode 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





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



Nickki Harris - September 29, 2020 at 02:55 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 28, 2020 at 10:58 PM



“ -Your Magellan Family and Friends! purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



-Your Magellan Family and Friends! - September 28, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 27, 2020 at 11:34 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 27, 2020 at 04:48 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 27, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ 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.

Taura Turner - September 27, 2020 at 07:44 AM



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

Shenishea Cristle - September 27, 2020 at 01:58 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Danielle Regina Benson.



September 27, 2020 at 12:17 AM



“ Johnny Scott lit a candle in memory of Danielle Regina Benson



Johnny Scott - September 26, 2020 at 06:45 AM



“ 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.



Shelton Marshall-Esq - September 25, 2020 at 08:32 PM



“ 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



Kimberley Jones - September 25, 2020 at 05:44 PM



“ Bonnie Edwards lit a candle in memory of Danielle Regina Benson



Bonnie Edwards - September 25, 2020 at 03:34 PM



“ Betty J Carey lit a candle in memory of Danielle Regina Benson



Betty J Carey - September 25, 2020 at 02:08 PM



“ 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.



Anidra Lomax - September 25, 2020 at 12:32 AM



“ 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



Carolyn - September 23, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ Terry Womble lit a candle in memory of Danielle Regina Benson



Terry Womble - September 23, 2020 at 06:42 PM



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



Sylvia knight - September 23, 2020 at 05:13 PM



“ Marika Benson lit a candle in memory of Danielle Regina Benson



Marika Benson - September 23, 2020 at 05:08 PM



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

Tyrone Benson - September 23, 2020 at 05:07 PM



“ 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

Terry Womble - September 23, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ 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...



Mary Brackins - September 23, 2020 at 04:29 PM