



Ellen McCollum Blankenship

June 1, 1934 - March 18, 2013

Funeral services for Mrs. Ellen McCollum Blankenship, age 78, are scheduled for 2 PM, Thursday, March 21, 2013 in the chapel of Pafford Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Hare Cemetery. Mrs. Blankenship passed away Monday in Jackson peacefully in her sleep. She was born June 1, 1934 in Henderson County to the late Cole Arthur and Iva Elizabeth Kelley McCollum. She was a former Brown Shoe employee and a homemaker. She was a member of Bolen's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church and enjoyed working with flowers, crocheting, sewing, and cooking. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mr. Billy Franklin Blankenship, a daughter, Ruth Coleen, four brothers, Guy, Claude, Fred, and Buddy McCollum, and three sisters, Ruby McCollum, Imogene "Sis" McCollum, and Nina Hamlin. Survivors include her two daughters, Judy (Tony) Crider of Lexington and Vicki (Bobby) Thompson of Selmer, seven grandchildren, Christopher Escue, Kristie Henley, Kelley Scott, Kevin Hall, Michael, Kevin, and Stacy Crider, and 16 great grandchildren, Kaden Hall, Jenny Wood, Gabby, and Aaron Henley, Lauren Crider, Aliyah Brasher, Kaylin and Gracie Crider, Lane, Mason, and Carson Clendenion, Hunter Crider, Charlie Lowery, Jackson Crider, Jasten Greene, and Chandler Crider.

Cemetery Details

Hare Cemetery

Natchez Trace Road
Lexington, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN
71 Monroe Ave.
Lexington, TN

Visitation

MAR 20. 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAR 21. 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Chapel Service

MAR 21. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



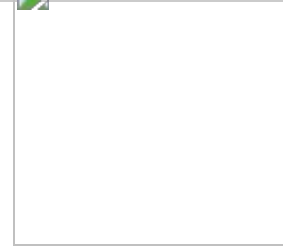
“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



Pafford Funeral Home - March 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM



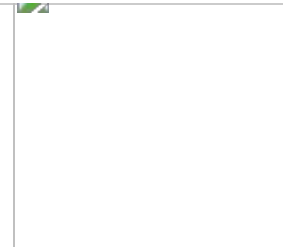
“ Michael Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



Michael Hamlin - November 26, 2025 at 03:15 PM



“ Michael Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



Michael Hamlin - June 06, 2024 at 04:43 PM

J.M.
Hamlin

“ J.M. Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



J.M. Hamlin - December 01, 2022 at 05:17 PM

VT

“ Vicki Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



Vicki Thompson - June 01, 2013 at 10:07 AM

VT

“ Happy Birthday Mama Love you and I miss you so much.



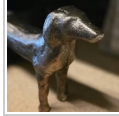
Vicki Thompson - June 01, 2013 at 09:58 AM



“ Christopher Escue lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship



Christopher Escue - June 01, 2013 at 09:04 AM



Happy Birthday Nannie:) I lite this candle just for you. I miss you more than my mind could ever imagine.

Christopher Escue - June 01, 2013 at 09:05 AM

CH

“ *Thinking of you during your time of loss.*
Dan and Cheryl Hughes



Cheryl Hughes - March 26, 2013 at 01:50 PM

BM

“ *Bev McCollum lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Bev McCollum - March 23, 2013 at 09:37 AM

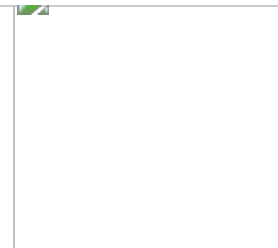
BM

What a wonderful aunt - I will truly miss her. Lots of memories.

Bev McCollum - March 23, 2013 at 09:38 AM

DM

“ *David McCollum lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



David McCollum - March 21, 2013 at 09:21 PM

FC

“ *Frances Wiggins Crouse lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Frances Wiggins Crouse - March 21, 2013 at 07:33 PM

SW

“ *Sidney Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Sidney Wiggins - March 21, 2013 at 11:01 AM

AJ

“ *Ann Blankenship Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



ann blankenship jenkins - March 20, 2013 at 08:35 PM

LC

“ *Lynne Blankenship Cooper lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Lynne Blankenship Cooper - March 20, 2013 at 06:52 PM

BP

“ *Brenda Priddy lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Brenda Priddy - March 19, 2013 at 06:39 PM

JB

“ *Our prayers are with you during this time. Tommy and Jere Burton*

Jere Burton - March 19, 2013 at 06:12 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss prayers for all the family*

Barbara Duvall - March 19, 2013 at 02:40 PM

TW

“ *My heart is so sad rite nw, Aunt Ellen U will be missed so much, I Luv u & Uncle Bill so much, u may be gone But never forgotten, I remember as a child and a teenager coming to Y'all's house. Them memories will be in my heart. Luv u Trisha*



Trisha Waldrop - March 19, 2013 at 02:12 PM

PB

“ *Paulette Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



paulette blankenship - March 19, 2013 at 01:27 PM

DS

“ *I'm so very very sad. Aunt Ellen was one of my favorite aunts and I have so many wonderful and warm memories of her and my family. I will miss her and I'm so glad I got to see her this past Christmas. Please know that I am thinking about all of you and sending you my love and prayers.*



*Debby Crowe Sawyer
Cary, North Carolina*

Debby Sawyer - March 19, 2013 at 11:14 AM

AH

i am so sorry about ms Ellen she was a sweet lady

ANN HERNDON - March 19, 2013 at 11:36 AM

CW

“ *Charles Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Charles Wiggins - March 19, 2013 at 10:48 AM

FC

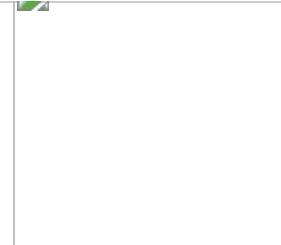
“ *Frances Crouse lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Frances Crouse - March 19, 2013 at 10:06 AM

JB

“ *Jennifer Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Jennifer Blankenship - March 19, 2013 at 09:48 AM



“ *Christopher Escue lit a candle in memory of Ellen McCollum Blankenship*



Christopher Escue - March 18, 2013 at 05:35 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Christopher Escue - March 18, 2013 at 05:34 PM