



## Donald Jesse Blanks

November 26, 1947 - January 18, 2019

Donald Jesse Blanks, 71, of Gladys died Friday, January 18, 2019 at Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of Sharon Epperson Blanks for thirty-four years.

He was born November 26, 1947 in Lynchburg, a son of the late George Melvin Blanks and Joan Audrey Courtney Blanks. He was a member of Edge Baptist Church, the Antique Auto Club of America, and the Breakfast Club. Mr. Blanks enjoyed hunting, collecting antique cars, and was a retired employee of BandW.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Kathy Burge (Toby) of Appomattox, Rebecca Mitchen (Brandon) of Gladys, and Brittany Maxey (Caleb) of Ogden, UT; two brothers, Gary Blanks of King, NC and Ronald Blanks (Sherry) of Rustburg; two sisters, Yvonne Burkholder (Brad) of Moneta and Barbara Litchford of Rustburg; and nine grandchildren, Tyler and Shelby Burge, Ariel, Noah, Marah, Elisha, Judah, Abel, and Ezekiel Mitchen.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at Edge Baptist Church by the Dr. Jerry P. Jordan and Rev. Steve Emory with interment to follow in Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the residence.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Edge Baptist Church, 3232 Epsoms Rd., Gladys, VA 24554.

Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Gladys is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery**

267 Ebenezer Rd.  
Gladys, VA 24554

# Previous Events

## **Funeral Service**

**JAN 22.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Edge Baptist Church  
3232 Epsons Road  
Gladys, VA 24554

# Tribute Wall

LC

“ Sharon, Thoughts and prayers with your family.  
Lisa



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**Lisa Curtis** - January 31, 2019 at 08:40 PM

TB

“ Donnie was a great Christian friend of mine. We worked together at BWXT for many years. He was a kind and generous person who helped many people as much as he could. We had many common interest, those being God,cars and hunting. Donnie will be missed very much but in know we shall meet again in heaven. Our prayers will continue to be with Sharon and the family. Terry and Wanda Brooks



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**Terry and Wanda Brooks** - January 21, 2019 at 09:22 PM

DB

“ Sharon and Family,  
Donnie was a great person and will truly be missed by many.  
Donnie was a dear friend to both Rick and myself. Sharon , We are here for you.  
The faith that Donnie had will also sustain you at this difficult time.  
We love you and your family.  
Debbie and Rick Bowe, Breakfast Club Friends

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**Debbie Bowe** - January 21, 2019 at 08:59 PM

LM

“ Enjoyed all the car shows we went to together and all the hunting and fishing we did. Sending prayers for Sharon and family.  
Lester and Regina Moorman  
Charleston, SC

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**Lester and Regina Moorman** - January 20, 2019 at 07:29 PM

GR

“ Donnie and my husband Sam was good friends back in the late sixties. Hope they are both up there having a good time together now. Sorry for your loss.

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**Gloria Ragland.** - January 20, 2019 at 03:29 PM

HA

“ I had the pleasure of meeting and caring for Donald for just a short time and in that short time he was such a sweet and kind person. Sending thoughts and prayers to the Blanks family.



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**Hannah** - January 20, 2019 at 12:55 PM

SM

“ SHIRL MILTON lit a candle in memory of Donald Jesse Blanks



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**SHIRL MILTON** - January 20, 2019 at 10:13 AM

BD

*Prayers sent for comfort to the whole family.*

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**Brenda Driskill** - January 20, 2019 at 04:06 PM

DH

“ Thinking of you all and praying for you during this difficult time. I'm so thankful for the time I was able to spend with you all.

Della Hunt - January 20, 2019 at 09:26 AM

SD

“ So very sorry to learn of Donnie's homegoing. I went to high school with him and he was always a genuine friend. Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends.

Sandra Sykes Doss - January 19, 2019 at 11:23 PM

SB

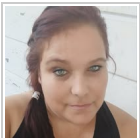
“ Dear Sharon and family,

*Our hearts are heavy with the news of Donnie's passing. A country gentleman is our fondest memory of Donnie and a man of faith. We know he is resting peacefully and without pain in the arms of Jesus.*

*Please know we care and send our heartfelt sympathy. We were just with you both this past April with a nice breakfast out where he met with his breakfast club. God Bless you Sharon...and take time to grieve through your loss. I'm sure your family is by your side.*

*Bill and Sue Burge, Boothbay, Maine*

Susan Burge - January 19, 2019 at 10:32 PM



“ The family is in our prayers. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Brandi Jo - January 19, 2019 at 09:56 PM

DB

“ *To Donnie's Family:  
You have my deepest sympathy in the lose of Donnie. I went to High School and also worked with Donnie. He was always a true friend to everyone he knew and a genuine caring person. I am so sorry that he has passed so soon! He has many rewards waiting for him in heaven. May God give all of you comfort and peace as you grieve for him. Delores Wooten Brame*

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**Delores Wooten Brame** - January 19, 2019 at 09:25 PM

CS

*Sharon,  
I am so sorry to hear of Donnie's passing. You will always have precious memories to comfort you. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Carolyn Smith*

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**Carolyn Smith** - January 20, 2019 at 12:34 AM

SL

“ *Scott Lukin lit a candle in memory of Donald Jesse Blanks*



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**Scott Lukin** - January 19, 2019 at 08:35 PM

SL

“ *I met Donnie when I sold him a maverick, he was a great person sorry to hear of this always remember him prayers to the family.  
Scott Lukin*

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**Scott Lukin** - January 19, 2019 at 08:32 PM

EC

“ We are so sorry to hear of Donnie's passing. I worked with Donnie as well as we would attend some of the same car shows. Rest in peace.

*Ellen Childress*

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**Ellen Childress** - January 19, 2019 at 07:02 PM