



Linda Clancy Kenner

March 27, 1941 - September 21, 2016

“She opens her mouth in wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. Her children rise up and bless her. Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.” Proverbs 31

The celebration of the life of Linda Clancy Kenner, 75, of Tyler, will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at 10:00 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Dr. Fred Smith officiating. Visitation will immediately follow the service. A private family burial will be held at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mrs. Kenner went to her eternal home in Heaven on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 in Tyler following a brief illness.

She was born March 27, 1941 in Erwin, Tennessee to Ralph and Hattie Lee Pate Blankenship. Linda grew up in Tyler and attended John Tyler High School and Tyler Junior College. She earned a business degree from the University of Texas at Tyler. Linda was employed as Office Manager for Lone Star Rose Nurseries for over 30 years.

Mrs. Kenner was an active member of Calvary Baptist Church in Tyler, teaching preschool Sunday School to 2- and 3-year-olds. She also served faithfully in the Awana ministry and Vacation Bible School. Linda enjoyed participating in professional organizations that included The American Business Women’s Association and The American Association of University Women.

Linda took great joy in serving her Lord in quiet and unassuming ways. She prized the title of grandmother and spending quality time with her grandsons, whether it was the routine time spent together on a weekly basis, cheering them on at All Saints football games or the many trips enjoyed together. Linda was preceded in death by husbands Jimmy Clancy and Hugh Kenner as well as by her parents and three brothers Harley, Tom and Jim Blankenship.

Mrs. Kenner is survived by her loving family including daughter Kay Kenner Latta and husband Dr. Paul Latta and grandsons Andrew and Matthew Latta, all of Tyler. Other surviving family include in-laws Jerry Don and Thelma Clancy, Tom and Austine Kenner, Dottie Latta and Lynn Blankenship; nieces Traci Kenner, Terri Rowden, Emily McGilvra and Jessica Mitchell; and nephews Dr. Steven Clancy and Troy Blankenship. Also left to cherish her memory are a host of best friends and mahjong enthusiasts.

Honorary pallbearers are elders and deacons of Calvary Baptist Church and Sam Goldwater.

Special thanks to the gracious doctors and nurses of the Continue Care Hospital at Mother Frances Hospital for the love and exceptional care shown to Linda and her family and friends during her illness.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church Children's Ministry at 6704 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas, 75703.

Cemetery Details

Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Service

SEP 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Visitation and reception after service

SEP 24. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Linda Clancy Kenner



Stewart Family Funeral Home - September 24, 2016 at 09:57 AM

GM

“ My condolences to Linda's family in this sad time. I knew Linda as a long-time friend of my sister, Jean Laumeyer, and saw Linda on various occasions when we visited Tyler. I was so sorry to hear of her illness and her passing. She was a beautiful person who always had a kind word to say to me.

Gayle Moss
Atlanta, GA

Gayle Moss - September 24, 2016 at 05:04 PM

DB

“ Linda was a genuine friend. I will cherish our memories. I am grateful she came into my life.



Debbie Bell Brown - September 24, 2016 at 08:30 AM

LH

“ Linda was beautiful inside and out. Her warmth, goodness and sweetness shown through that wonderful smile that lit up a room. My heartfelt sympathy to everyone who loved her and will miss her. The Lord needed another angel and called her Home where she was met with such a welcoming celebration. She is smiling still.

Linda Mahan Higgins

Linda Mahan Higgins - September 22, 2016 at 05:49 PM

SJ

“ Linda was one of the most precious people I have ever had the pleasure of calling a dear friend. We met about 23 years ago through American Business Women's Association. Linda was truly a beautiful flower, our Tyler rose, in the garden of life. Her kind, gentle, caring personality made her a favorite to all her friends and family. She was a strong lady, but always gave God the glory for her strength. Through Linda, I came know and love the Latta family. We always enjoyed her two grandsons, Andrew and Matthew. My deepest sympathies to Kay, Paul, Andrew, Matthew, and Dottie. We will always miss our precious Linda. Jesus surely smiled while taking this precious woman home with him.

Shirley Martin Jones - September 22, 2016 at 03:51 PM

SW

“ I met Linda in about 2000 at the American Business Women's group. She was such a lovely lady and the picture you chose for her is so like her. She will be missed at the Lunch Bunch and the Hot Mama's!

Susan Wiggins - September 22, 2016 at 10:59 AM

CB

“ *Celia Balko lit a candle in memory of Linda Clancy Kenner*



Celia Balko - September 21, 2016 at 09:58 PM

BJ

“ *Billi Jean lit a candle in memory of Linda Clancy Kenner*



Billi Jean - September 21, 2016 at 05:00 PM

BJ

*A Sweet lady. Spent many a fun games day and luncheon with her.....
She is missed ...*

Billi Jean - September 21, 2016 at 05:03 PM

SS

I met Linda in 1980 as a member of The American Business Women's Association. We shared many years of happy times including our trips with ABWA and just getting together as friends. Linda was always a light in any room. Her smile could cheer anyone up. She will be missed! R.I.P. Linda. You were a jewel here on earth.

Sylvia Thompson Savage - September 22, 2016 at 11:48 AM

JP

Linda and I met in 3rd grade--what a pleasure to have had her for a friend all of these years. We have shared many happy times and many sad times. This is a very sad time to be saying good bye to her. She was such a sweet, loving, giving, person. A gift she shared with many of her family and friends was as caretaker. I know she is happy to be in her Heavenly Home.

Linda was so very special to me and I will miss her so much.

Jean Patterson-Laumeyer

Jean Patterson-Laumeyer - September 22, 2016 at 12:14 PM

CJ

A very Christ loving lady. A good friend and exercise buddy in our early years of friendship. Linda was at my home Tuesday before the illness overtook her and she looked great and said she felt better than she had in a long time. She was going to bring pizza the next time we met for my birthday. Well I told her in her semi conscious state not to worry, Roz and the ladies had taken care and we had pizza at the next meeting. I will miss her kindness and friendship.

Carolyn Jones

Carolyn Jones - September 23, 2016 at 07:54 AM