



Felix "Charlie" Blankenship

February 29, 2020

Felix "Charlie" Blankenship passed away peacefully at home on February 29, 2020 after a year -long battle with lung cancer. He was born on May 25, 1965 in Chattanooga, TN. He is a 1983 graduate of Rossville High School, Rossville, GA. He also graduated from Georgia Northwestern Tech (formerly Walker Technical School) with his LPN degree. He was employed with Fresenius Kidney Care, where he did acute dialysis at Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Gainesville and Braselton Campuses. Prior to working with Fresenius, Felix worked with Davita Kidney Care, doing acute dialysis at Northside Hospital, Atlanta, Forsyth and Cherokee campuses. Prior to moving to the Atlanta area, he work for Dialysis Clinic, Inc. in the Chattanooga area. He loved taking care of people and it shows by the number of lives he touched in his short 54 years. He loved his family and friends most of all. He was an avid fisherman most of his life, and had a passion for aviation. He was a member of EAA Chapter 611 in Gainesville, GA where he really sparked his interest in learning to fly. While he did get to fly, and even owned a small plane for a time, he never made his solo flight before he became too ill to fly. And last but certainly not least, he had a passion for Bluegrass music and LOVED anything VOLS!

Felix was preceded in death by his father, Winfred J. Blankenship; step-father, Fred Thornburg; and infant brother, Wendell Blankenship. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Jackson Thompson of Buford; son, Jacob Blankenship, Charleston, SC and daughter, Aubrey Blankenship, Ringgold, GA; step-

daughter, Christie Thompson, her wife, Rocky and grandbaby, Layne Thompson of Las Vegas, NV; step-son, Jason Thompson, his wife Stephanie and grandchildren, Autumn, Kaelyn and Brooks Thompson of Buford; mother, Linda Willene Thornburg of Chickamauga, GA; step-mother, Sandra Blankenship of Rossville, GA; brothers, Eric and wife, Tina Blankenship of Rossville, GA, and Lamar Blankenship of Butler, TN; several loved nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Chattanooga on Saturday, March 7th at 4 pm, at Crosspath Church Community Hall, 4201 Ringgold Road, Chattanooga, TN 37412.

Also, a celebration of life will be held at 2 pm on Sunday, March 8th at Tannery Row Ale House, 554 West Main Street, Buford, GA 30518. The family will receive friends from 2-3 pm, with a memorial service and fellowship from 3-5 pm. Light appetizers and drinks will be served.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (www.stjude.org) , in memory of Felix "Charlie" Blankenship.

Tribute Wall



“ *Felix "Charlie" Blankenship*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Miss you my little brother-in-law. First met you in 1979. Was amazed you could eat 2 big Macs and 2 large fries in one meal! Thank you for trying my first Thanksgiving 1980 when as a good brother-in-law you tried my turkey that turned out to still be frozen. RIP. You will always be in my mind and heart. Though not close family as life takes turns...still family!*

Melodi Tittle - April 26, 2020 at 09:14 PM



“ *Received the news of Charlie's passing. I'm a distant cousin his Momaship was my Dad's Sister. I was very fond of the whole family . Thinking of your family during this difficult time.
Your Cousin
Robert DeBord
Chattanooga, TN*

Robert DeBord - March 05, 2020 at 12:00 AM



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Nina & Eddie Evans - March 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in piece .you will be missed..prayers for the family.will see you again.

Mazel mullins - March 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Go rest now Felix until we meet again. You were a great nurse I loved working with you no matter what was going on you always made me laugh. Praying for your family and friends for comfort and peace in this difficult time.*

Diana Peardon - March 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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