



Onita Blazier

November 10, 1935 - March 28, 2020

Onita Ann (McKenzie-Branham) Blazier 84, of Enon, Ohio went to be with the Lord on March 28th, 2020. She was born in Paintsville, Kentucky on November 10th, 1935, the daughter of William "Bill" J. McKenzie and Maude M. (Van Hoose) McKenzie. She first worked at Wright Patterson Air Force Base; then she went on to Wright State University, before becoming a first-grade teacher at Enon Elementary School, where she worked for 32 years. She was a member of the Red Hats Society and the Ladies Auxiliary at the Enon VFW for many years. Survivors include her children: William E. Branham, Sherry S. Eudy, James A. Branham, Mark Blazier and Joy Derry; three daughters-in-law: Donna Branham, Amy Branham and Carla Blazier; a son-in-law: William Eudy; eleven grandchildren: Melissa, Chris, Angela, Tabatha, Bruce, Josh, Amber, Michael, Millie, Michael and Sarah; fourteen great-grandchildren; and nieces, nephews and many cousins. She also had many children she loved through teaching and many friends she loved along the way. All who knew her and loved her will miss her dearly. Onita was preceded in death by her son, Eddie Branham; her husband, Dale Blazier; her sister, Sandy Pennington; her mother, Maude McKenzie; and her father, William McKenzie. A private funeral service will be conducted 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 2, 2020 in Adkins Funeral Home, Enon. The service will be live-streamed on the Adkins Funeral Home Facebook page, if you would like to join, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/adkinsfuneralhome/>. A graveside service will follow the service in Enon Cemetery at 11:45. In lieu of flowers, Onita's family has asked that donations be made to: FF Mueller, 2527 Kenton St., Springfield Ohio 45505, in Memory of Eddie Branham and Onita Ann Blazier.

Cemetery Details

Enon Cemetery

6013 Dayton Springfield Rd
Springfield, OH 45502

Previous Events

Private Funeral Service

APR 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home
7055 Dayton Road
Enon, OH 45323

Graveside Service

APR 2. 11:45 AM (ET)

Enon Cemetery
6013 Dayton Springfield Rd
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Tribute Wall

DO

“ I was so blessed to have had a mother in law like Ann. When I spoke of her, some were surprised how well we got along as mother and daughter in law. The truth is we enjoyed being around each other. We had memorable times together laughing about silly things, we had great talks about life and family and the Bible. We prayed together. She enjoyed being part of our small bible study groups in our home and all of our friends truly enjoyed her. She had so much to share. She had so many great stories to share and so much wisdom. I was always amazed at all of the details she could remember in her life growing up. I felt as though I got a good picture of how things looked back then. We loved the times when she was able to stay with us and get away from the cold winters in Ohio. When she felt she could no longer travel back and forth our hearts were saddened. We longed to have those times back. However we understood. She was a pleasure to have and the grandchildren and great grandchildren loved their time with her. She role played with them and the best time was when she pretended to be Professor Googenhimer. Her imagination went places I never would have imagined. We all had a blast with her that day. The great grands will remember that forever. Sometimes she and I were like two teenagers having a sleep over. We would watch some of our favorite programs and talk well into the night. It was always hard to say good bye when she left for Ohio but she needed to get back home. Ann used her life experiences to make her strong and wise and she always leaned on The One who helped her through each difficulty. She would share with me often this scripture and She said it was one of her favorites, “ Be still and know that I am God”. I have so many fond memories of her. I feel blessed to have had her in my life. I am thankful to God who gives us just what we need all the time. I thank God for Ann. My life is richer for having known her. I look forward to being together one day.

Donna - April 05, 2020 at 05:52 AM

JU

Oh Donna I just love reading this about Onita. I am going to miss her. Our friendship went back a long way.

judy - April 08, 2020 at 08:33 PM

EC

“ So sorry to hear of Onita passing, I remember growing up here in Enon and having her mother as my 3rd grade teacher also fond memories of her dad. I helped Sandy and her mom with housecleaning when I was in high school. My mom, Ola Mckenzie Conley knew her parents well. Rest well.

Emma Carol Conley - April 03, 2020 at 12:08 AM



“ *She was like a ray of sunshine she always made me smile, she would tell me story’s, she would let me play on her piano, her smile would lighten up the room. She was such a kind hearted person that I wish I will become one day. I hope you are having a good time in heaven mammaw love you.*

McKenzie Hall - April 01, 2020 at 09:14 AM

KW

“ *Karen Warren lit a candle in memory of Onita Blazier*



Karen Warren - March 31, 2020 at 09:53 PM

KW

*Your mom was a wonderful woman. I loved her dearly. I worked on yellow cottage with Eddie for twelve years and got to know Onita very well. We all love our time with her. She never missed a open house and we had the twice a year. Every holiday she was there picking up Eddie so he could spend the night with her. She will be greatly missed. Eddie loved her so much and that says everything. So sorry for your loss.
Karen Warren*

Karen Warren - March 31, 2020 at 10:03 PM

DK

“ *Our mother was a first cousin to Onita father William our mother Dorothy McKenzie Preston was daughter of Wallace B McKenzie we are so sorry to hear of Onita passing .Robert Preston and Diana Preston Kirk*

Diana Kirk - March 31, 2020 at 05:40 PM

MJ

“ *In every memory I have of you, you are smiling, dear Onita. Warmest hugs and blessings to your loved ones. We are lucky to have called you family.*



mj - March 31, 2020 at 04:34 PM

JA

“ 9 files added to the album Grand kid and great grand kid family



james - March 31, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Onita Blazier.



March 31, 2020 at 01:07 PM

DG

“ Diana Bunch Griffin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Onita Blazier.



Diana Bunch Griffin - March 31, 2020 at 10:25 AM

TH

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Tabatha Hall - March 30, 2020 at 09:18 PM

RH

“ We will miss you, you were a beautiful lady always so sweet to us!! Rest easy beautiful lady..

Richard and Donna Hall - March 30, 2020 at 08:52 PM

RM

ONITA WAS A VRRY NICE PERSON
SHE WAS MY HUSBAND.. RAY JR
MCKENZIE'S 1ST. COUSIN. I KNOW SHE WILL BE MISSED. WE LOVED HER. SHE
WAS A BEAUTIFUL PERSON

RAY JR. AND BARB MCKENZIE - March 31, 2020 at 01:14 PM

AH

“ I will always love you to the end of the world you held a special place in my heart every since the second I first met you. Remember I love you and I always will



Ayden Hall - March 30, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ Bill Eudy lit a candle in memory of Onita Blazier



Bill Eudy - March 30, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Onita Blazier.



March 30, 2020 at 07:42 PM

“ Mammaw

I admire you to no end. You have put up with a countless amount of negativity in your life, but you still manage to be the most positive person I know. I have never seen you in a bad mood, and I can always count on you to lift my spirits when I need it. You are the strongest and kindest person I know. That strength and perseverance inspires me on a daily basis.

Thank you for unconditionally loving me, no matter what I do. With you, I have never had to live up to an expectation. You fawn over my slightest of accomplishments and make me feel like a superhero, even on my worst days. You have been a no judgment zone. My safe haven. I never have to be anything, but myself with you. I know for a fact that I can tell you absolutely anything, and you will be there for me. Even when you know that I am making a mistake, you never leave my side. Your love is so pure, with no reservations, and is unlike any other love in the world.

You spoiled me with wisdom. Thank you for supplying me with an endless amount of laughter and memories. You know exactly how to make tears spring to my eyes and make my stomach ache from laughing so hard. Your sense of humor is like no other. I wish that I could keep you attached to my hip at all times so that I am never without it. I find myself telling stories of you to people on a daily basis because I wish you were there to tell them yourself. And I find them laughing along with me. I actually had one of my friends recently call you the “real life Betty White.” Which, obviously, is the highest of compliments. Instead of saint Olaf it was back in Kentucky. Your unbelievably unique personality is something so rare. I genuinely feel bad for the those in the world who will never be graced by getting to know you, because you truly are one of a kind.

Everything we’ve shared together is forever filed in a special part of my brain. A place for only you and me. It is somewhere I can go whenever we aren’t together and I’m missing you. It is a place I can go for advice, a good laugh, and a mood enhancer. All I have to do is think of your smile and my day is automatically so much better. You have provided me with so much that I will never be able to pay you back for, but I am going to continue to try every day. I am so unbelievably lucky to have you. Out of all the people in the world, all of the women to become grandmas, I got the best in my life.

I'll love you for the rest of my life. I'll be blessed to hear stories of you for years to come because "Mrs. Blazier was my teacher" is often said to me. I'll never feel at "home" anymore in Enon. I miss you and Sandy so very much. I miss my Enon. I miss you.

*I love you,
Tabatha*

MS

*You were such a great friend and co worker during my years at Enon Elementary. I cherish the memories of our years together, the talks, the laughs and all the wonderful experiences we experienced.
Peace dear friend.*

Maggie Shell - April 01, 2020 at 04:44 PM

EM

“ I have found childhood memories at Enon Elementary. My deepest condolences to the family.



Ellen Morgan - March 30, 2020 at 08:43 AM

EM

Very fond memories

Ellen Morgan - March 31, 2020 at 09:07 PM

JA

“ Jordan(Buck) Ashley lit a candle in memory of Onita Blazier



Jordan(Buck) Ashley - March 29, 2020 at 05:36 PM

JA

*“ I remember Onita when i worked at Enon Elementary as their custodian,she always appreciated all my hard work. I enjoyed talking,helping her as she was a very nice lady,teacher,co-worker. She knew how to keep the kids in line and she knew how to teach. I for one will miss her ad my prayers and thoughts go out to her family.
Kindness Regards,
Jordan (Buck) Ashley*

Jordan (Buck) Ashley - March 29, 2020 at 05:34 PM

JU

“ *My love to the entire family. I loved your mom very much. We shared so much together. She was a catalyst for Jeff's recovery and he is so thankful. Mark is also so sad to see her go because he used to sit and have some great chats with her.*
Love Judy Irvine

Judy - March 29, 2020 at 01:17 PM