



Rev. Eagleton "Fritz" Blankenship, Jr.

September 17, 1931 - April 8, 2016

Rev. Eagleton "Fritz" Blankenship, Jr., age 84 of Ringgold, went home to be with his Lord on Friday, April 8, 2016. He was born in Boiling Springs, NC to the late Eagleton F. Sr. and Evelyn Logan Blankenship and has lived in Ringgold since 1973. Fritz served his country in the USMC during the Korean War and earned a Master's Degree and Doctorate in divinity from Southwestern Seminary & Luther Rice Seminary. He retired from full time ministry in 1997 and is a member of First Baptist Church of Ringgold.

Fritz was also preceded in death by his brother, Vernon Leon Blankenship.

He is survived by his loving wife, of 58 yrs., Wanda Orton Blankenship; children, Scott (Sheila) Blankenship of Lakeworth, FL, Kelly (Larry) Kachele of Eight Mile, AL and Eric (Carol) Blankenship of Ringgold; sisters, Iva Kennedy of Vero Beach, FL, Sue Scott of Ft. Oglethorpe and Jeanette Fryar of Ft. Oglethorpe; grandchildren, Danielle Mims, Brandon Blankenship, Barret Blankenship, Kristen Lopiccolo, Joshua Kachele, and Cody Kachele; 5 great grandchildren; and several nieces & nephews.

The funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at First Baptist Church of Ringgold, with Rev. Eric Kennedy officiating. Interment will follow in Chattanooga National Cemetery with military honors. The family will receive friends from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm and from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on

Tuesday and prior to leaving for the church on Wednesday. In lieu of flowers the family has requested contributions be made to the Fisher House of TN at www.fisherhouse.org. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Home- Wallis Stewart Chapel, Ringgold.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

Holtzclaw Ave.
Chattanooga, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 13. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Ringgold
7611 Nashville Street
Ringgold, GA

Interment with Military Honors

APR 13. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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