



Benny Ray Short

September 12, 1932 - September 8, 2015

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Benny Ray Short, 83, of Lubbock was born August 12, 1932 in Lubbock, Texas. He attended elementary school at George M. Hunt and George R. Bean. Middle school was at Carroll Thompson and OL Slaton. He attended Lubbock High School then joined the Marine Corp in 1951 and served until 1954.

He was married to Mary McKinley for 60 years until her death in February of 2013. They had two children, Janie S. Evans and husband Tom, and Ray Short and wife Terri; grandchildren, Kevin Lowrie and wife Jennie, Mike Lowrie, Crystal Pool and husband Josh, Casie Short, Melissa Pavey and husband Bo and Nathan Evans and wife Laura; 8 great-grandchildren; sister, Lou Mankins; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin Franklin and Vonnie Key Short; and brother, Billy Joe Short.

Benny was born and raised in Lubbock and never left except for his time in the Marine Corps where he fought in the Korean War. After the war, he started his long career as an auto mechanic. He has done various things throughout his life. He brought the Datsun Dealership (later renamed to Nissan) to Lubbock in 1966. He has erected steel buildings, hauled and sold hay, firewood and other items. He was in business with his son, Ray selling golf carts. He also had commercial rental property. The joke was that everything had a price, wife and kids were negotiable until the day he gave an unrealistic

price on his favorite pick up and the man bought it.

He was one of the first boys joining the original Boys Club located at 23rd and avenue K. His membership card number was 38.

The Club was right around the corner from his house. Benny is an honorary member of the ABC Club having donated time and manpower to all of their activities over the last 25 years. He was a member of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, September 11, 2015 at Indiana Avenue Baptist Church. The family will receive friends at Sanders Funeral Home on Thursday evening from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Lubbock, 3702-21st Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410, Boys & Girls Club of Lubbock, 3221-59th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410, or your favorite charity.

Cemetery Details

City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 East 31st Street
Lubbock, TX 79404

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10**. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Sanders Funeral Home
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401
(806) 763-6433
director@sandersfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sandersfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

SEP **11**. 1:30 PM (CT)

Indiana Baptist Church
9507 Indiana Ave.
Lubbock, TX

Tribute Wall



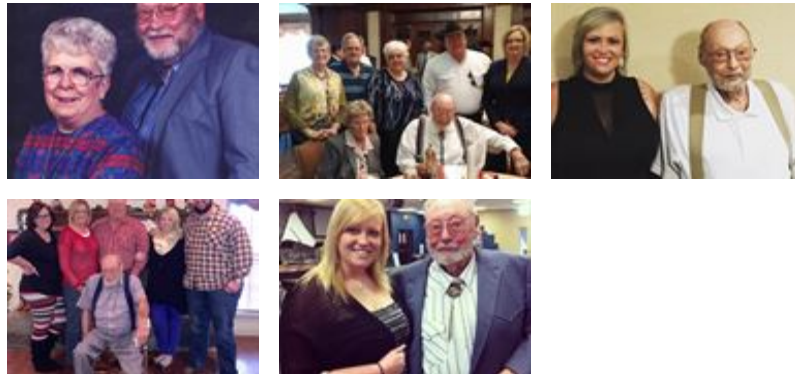
“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Benny Ray Short



Sanders Funeral Home - September 10, 2015 at 12:20 PM



“ 43 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sanders Funeral Home - September 10, 2015 at 11:19 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Benny Ray Short.



September 10, 2015 at 09:20 AM

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“ *Benny and my dad, Curtis bought a tiny horse one day and we didn't have a truck so they put that tiny horse in the back of the station wagon and we all got in and went to Benny's and Mary's. That was a mean little horse that would try to step on your feet when you got near it. Benny thought it was hilarious to carry that horse home in the car. Benny's laugh was infectious. The ever present toothpick. That twinkle in his eye when he was teasing you. The way he cocked his head. The watermelon we ate on hot summer nights. The camping trips in Colorado. Eating honey buns in the morning. The stories he would tell. The pranks he would pull. The love he made you feel. The hole in the world he leaves is large and will be hard to fill. Thank goodness he left me all these memories... Love, Cheryl*

Cheryl Roberts - September 10, 2015 at 08:03 AM

GK

“ *Gary and Roxie Key purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Benny Ray Short.*



Gary and Roxie Key - September 10, 2015 at 12:21 AM

MJ

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Adolfo Pompa Jr purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Benny Ray Short.*



Mr. & Mrs. Adolfo Pompa Jr - September 09, 2015 at 02:57 PM