



## Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr.

March 20, 1992 - September 4, 2022

Condolences are being expressed to the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr., age 30, who passed away on Sunday, September 4, 2022.

Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr., son of Dana Y. Riley and Kenneth Blanding, Sr., was born March 20, 1992, at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. He attended Riverside High School and Durham Technical Community College.

Kenny was employed by Duke University East Campus/Bon Appetit vendor and later transferred to Duke University Groundskeeping. He served Duke University for 15 years.

Kenny gave his life to Christ at a young age; he was 30 years old at his time of death. His hobbies consisted of anything that remotely dealt with the speed of a car, bike, or all-terrain vehicle. Kenny loved his family, friends, and his extended family. He never met a stranger. Kenny was a member of racing clubs, car clubs and association with ATV clubs.

Kenny was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Sidney Lee Blanding and Mildred Juanita Cochran Campbell and maternal Aunt Cynthia M. Riley.

He is survived by his daughters, Zuri A. Blanding and Zahmaya A. Chapman; mother, Dana Y. Riley; father, Kenneth Blanding, Sr., brothers; Justin J. Blanding, Devin T. Blanding and Sidney L. Blanding; maternal grandparents, Beryl L. Riley and Ike L. Riley; aunts and uncles; Darlene Hester (Barry), Lisa Littlejohn (Waddell), Richard Riley and Anthony Riley. There are a plethora of cousins and extended family.

A celebration of Kenneth's life will be held at New Red Mountain Missionary Baptist Church, 1401 Red Mountain Road, Rougemont, North Carolina, 27572 on Sunday, September 11th; Family Visitation at 1:00 p.m. and Celebration of Life Service at 2:00 p.m., with Rev. Everette Johnson, Jr. delivering the eulogy.

Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr. will be laid to rest in New Red Mountain Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## New Red Mountain Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery

1401 Red Mountain Road  
Rougemont, NC 27572  
<http://www.nrmmbc.org/>

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

New Red Mountain Missionary Baptist Church  
1401 Red Mountain Road  
Rougemont, NC 27572  
(919) 477-2000  
<https://www.newredmountainmbc.org/>

## Celebration of Life

SEP 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

New Red Mountain Missionary Baptist Church  
1401 Red Mountain Road  
Rougemont, NC 27572  
(919) 477-2000  
<https://www.newredmountainmbc.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr.*

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October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Dana,  
Marie called and told me about Kenny. I am so sorry for your loss.  
His name was in the paper and he was is 30 years old. Where have  
the years gone?  
It seems like yesterday they were little boys. My thoughts and  
prayers are with you for your loss.  
Love,  
Donna Adams*

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**Donna Adams** - September 16, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *To Kenneth Blanding Sr and Family...Sending my love and prayers  
to you at this difficult time..*

*Love Always  
Linda A Newman*

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**Linda** - September 11, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ *Forever my friend and forever my family... Banner street will always  
love you ❤️*

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**Shana Grimsley** - September 10, 2022 at 09:02 PM

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“ *Divine Peace Bouquet sent on behalf of your family at ACH, UNC Health Care.*



Brandi Robinson - September 08, 2022 at 06:13 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr..*



September 08, 2022 at 05:00 PM

DL

“ *KENNETH, I' LL HOLD HIM CLOSE IN MEMORIES AND MY HEART AND HIS SPIRIT WILL LIVE FOREVER. KENNETH HAD A INCREDIBLE PERSONALITY AND SPIRIT . THERE NO END OF MY GRIEVING JOURNEY BECAUSE YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART.  
GRANDMA DORIS  
I LOVE YOU ❤️*

Doris Lea-Riley - September 08, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr..*



September 08, 2022 at 03:21 PM

KW

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. Praying for comfort and peace*



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**kim williams-capers** - September 08, 2022 at 01:34 PM

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“ *Kenneth Sr. and Dana  
So very sorry to hear that your son had transition to his heavenly home. This is a very difficult time but may memories bring comfort to your heart.  
Everlene Clayton Turrentine*

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**Everlene Turrentine** - September 08, 2022 at 01:29 PM

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“ *Sincere condolences sent to you and your entire family, Kenny, and to all who knew and loved your son. Please know I am praying for you all! Love, Victoria E. Henderson*

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**Victoria E Henderson** - September 08, 2022 at 01:27 PM

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“ *The love you put out could never be duplicated. You were truly one of a kind ! Always had positive energy , respectful, honest and genuine . You will truly be missed and forever in our hearts ! We love you so much KB* ❤️ 🖤

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**Nicole** - September 08, 2022 at 10:45 AM

SC

“ Kenny, I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.

Sheila Cowart

Sheila M Cowart - September 08, 2022 at 10:32 AM

CI

“ Hi Kenny, We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your son. May God wrap his arms around you during this difficult time. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Cindy & Wayne Greenhill

Cindy - September 08, 2022 at 10:29 AM

AC

“ My heartfelt sincere condolences to the Blanding family. Lifting the entire family in prayer.

Alissa Coley - September 08, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr..



September 08, 2022 at 10:24 AM

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“ *The Men & Women of Allied Universal purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Blanding, Jr..*



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**The Men & Women of Allied Universal** - September 07, 2022  
at 02:16 PM