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Julia Elaine Blankenship

Aug. 15, 1946 - May 5, 2026

Julia Elaine Blankenship, 79, of Lenoir, NC, gained her heavenly wings on Tuesday, May 5, 2026.

Born in Caldwell County, NC on August 15, 1946, she was the daughter of the late Oscar McCall and Abbie Hilburn McCall.

Julia was a member of Hartland Baptist Church, and she loved the Lord and her church. She also loved gardening, canning, and puzzles.

A loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and sister, Julia is survived by her sons, Darrell McCall and David Swink; daughter, Sharon Swink; grandchildren, Hunter McCall, Jazlyn Cline (Dustin), Jordan Swink (Jade), Randall Swink (Ashley), and Robert Cresawn; seven great-grandchildren; brother, Dennis McCall (Sandy); sister, Genise Mock (Barry); and numerous extended family.

In addition to her parents, Julia was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest John Blankenship; and grandsons, Chris Swink and Timothy Cresawn.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Monday, May 11, 2026 at Hartland Baptist Church. The funeral will be held at noon in the church with Rev. Todd Smith and Rev. Dr. Steve Parker officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



Sharon and family, I was so sad to hear about your mother passing. I know you loved her very much and took very good care of her in her last days. I pray God will bring you peace and love in the difficult days ahead. Please accept my sincere condolences.

—Shirley Reid Estes

Darrell I just found out about your Mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I wish you would have let us know. My heart aches for you i know how much you loved her. We love you very much.

—Jackie Baldwin



What wonderful memories we have of times spent with cousin Elaine. She was BLESSED beyond measure with children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who loved her and who she dearly loved in return. Her family gave her such special care before and during her years of declining health. We extend our deepest sympathy and love to all her family.

—Clint and Carolyn Owen



Aunt Elaine you will be missed here on earth. I Love you



always have,My thoughts and prayers are with all the family May God bless each one of your children/grandchildren and other family members May yall be blessed with Peace and comfort. Love Bonnie

—Bonnie

—Reba Greene