

John Morris Blanchard

March 24, 1929 - February 6, 2024

Mass of Christian Burial

Friday, February 9, 2024 2:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

China, Texas

Processional

“When the Saints Go Marching In”
by Louis Armstrong

GATHERING RITE

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of John’s Baptism, his casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of his Baptism, is placed on the casket.

“If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory.”

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6a,7-9

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 27

Response: *“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”*

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:14-5:1

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts	<i>"We Remember"</i> by John Michael Talbot
Eucharistic Acclamations	Holy, Holy, Holy Mystery of Faith Great Amen
Communion Rite	The Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace Lamb of God
Communion	<i>"I Am the Bread of Life"</i> by Jon Sarta
Meditation	<i>"La Grâce du Ciel"</i> by Les Amies Louisianaises
Prayer After Communion	

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to his aid. Hasten to meet him angels of the Lord.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Recessional *"Me and Jesus"*
by Tom T. Hall



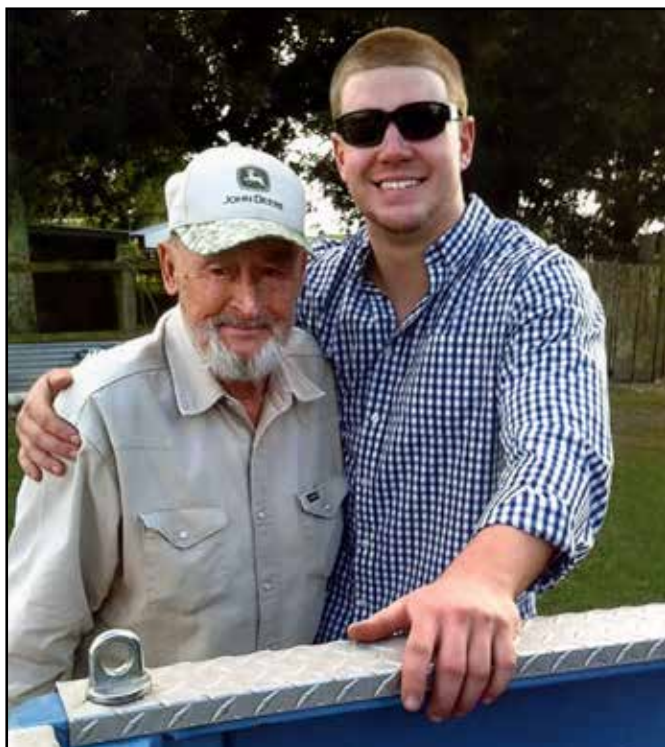
John Morris Blanchard, 94, of China, died Tuesday, February 6, 2024. He was born on March 24, 1929, in China, Texas, to Marie Fontenot and Rudolph Blanchard, and had been a longtime resident of China.

John retired from Lower Neches Valley Authority as a dragline operator. Daddy had an overwhelming joy for gardening, his farm animals, his children, and grandchildren. He was a devoted husband to his wife, Shirley, for over fifty years and a loving, giving, and funny father to his children.

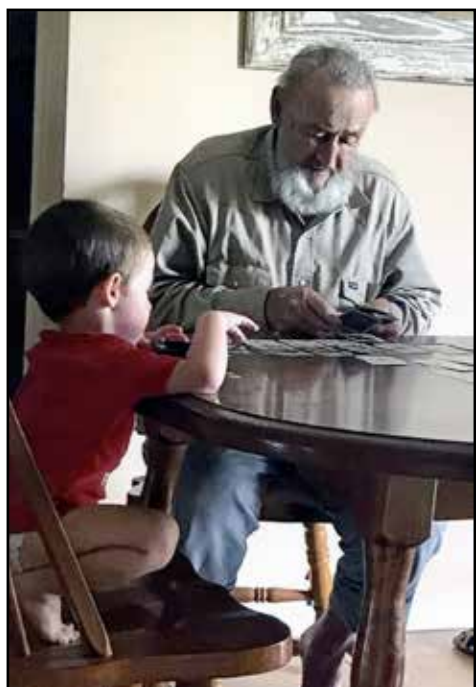
He is survived by his son, Scott Carriker and his wife, Jude, of Santa Fe; daughters, Dee Champion of Lumberton; Whitney Ann Megarity;; Marie Lewis and her husband, Kevin; and Paula McCarble and her husband, Mark, all of China; grandchildren, Heather Champion and Ben Miller; Stefanie Champion and Josh Oates; Ashley Walker and her husband, Adrian; Anna Krienke; David Carriker; Taylor Koch; Morgan Martel; J.C. Lewis and his wife, Charissa; Britney Wyble and her husband, Dusty; Brody Lewis and his wife, Ashlee; Megan Taylor and her husband, Wesley; Mason McMarble; great-grandchildren, Kiersten Perez, Zoey Danos, Owen Perez, Olivia Oates, James Walker, Lily Walker, Aaron Walker, Alexander Krienke, Landen Krienke, Jackson Lewis, Cambrie Lewis, Keely Wyble, Remington Wyble, Camden Wyble, Hudson Taylor, and twins, Samuel and Elaine Taylor; and numerous nieces and nephews.



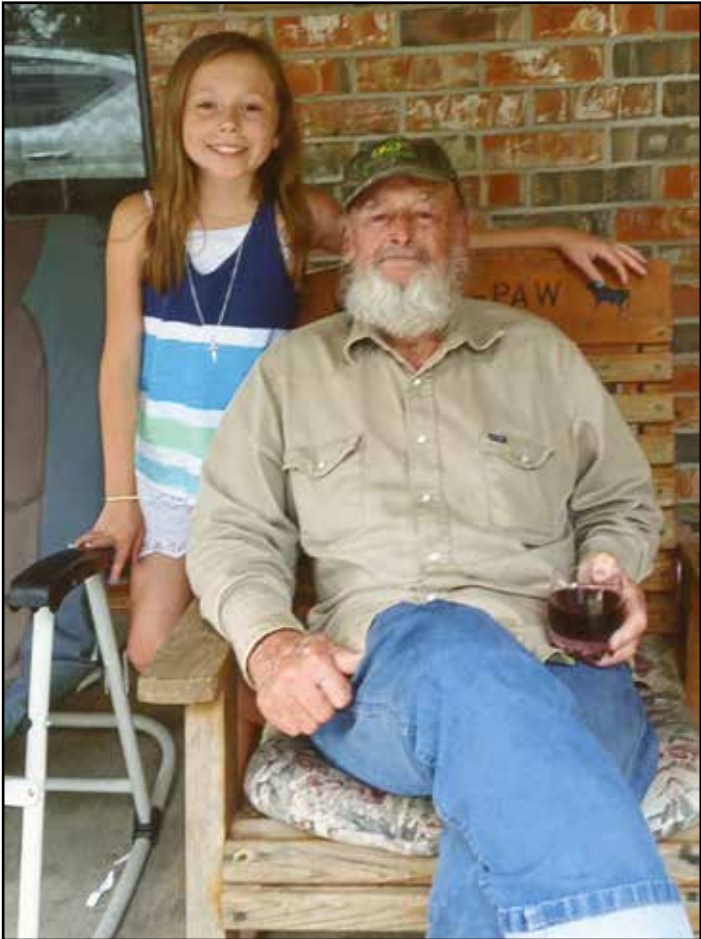


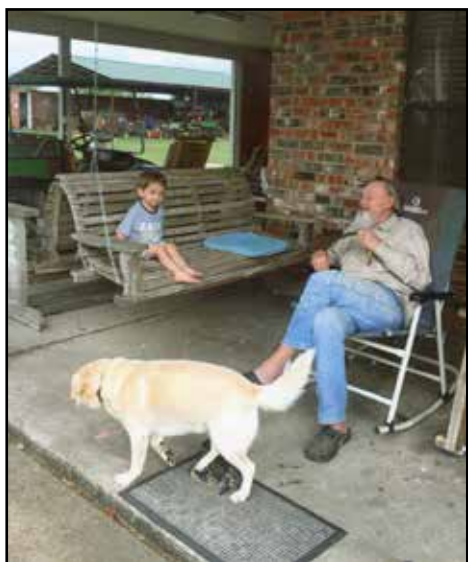


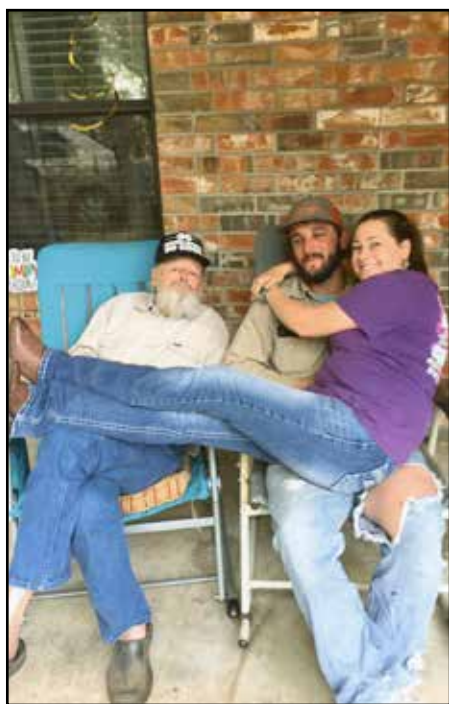








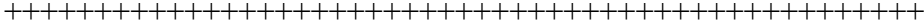




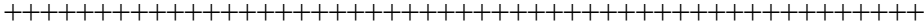
Home

*Take pause for just a moment
And look up to the skies
I want to show you heaven
As seen through joyful eyes
The moment I arrived here
I saw the sweetest sight
All those who'd gone before me
Surrounded by His light
They reached out and embraced me
And instantly, I knew
That I'd fulfilled my purpose
And one day you will too
It's natural you are sad now
But try to let that go
There's overwhelming peace here
And beauty all aglow
We have no pain or suffering
No thought of right or wrong
No one here's an outsider
Each one of us belong
There is no sense of judgment
His light reveals our soul
Each one unique and perfect
We make each other whole
So when you really miss me
Just cast your eyes above
Remember. I am home now
And sending you my love*





Celebrant	Reverend Polycarp Otieno-fmh
Placing of the Pall	Whitney Megarity, Dee Champion, Marie Lewis, Paula McCarble, Scott Carriker
Gift Bearers	Britney Wyble, Keely Wyble
Lectors	Megan Taylor, Taylor Koch
Eucharistic Minister	Melody Wells
Music Minister	Cedric Runnels
Pallbearers	JC Lewis, Brody Lewis, Taylor Koch Mason McCarble, Dusty Wyble, Ben Miller
Honorary Pallbearers	Wayne Blanchard, Jay Blanchard, Billy Blanchard Michael Blanchard, Bobby Pelt, Robbie Wells, David Carriker



Interment

China Cemetery
China, Texas

Memorial Contributions

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church
P.O. Box 38
China, Texas 77613

**“Never let anything so fill you with sorrow
that you forget the joy of the resurrection.”**

Mother Teresa



Please sign Mr. Blanchard’s guest book and share your memories at
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