



## Shelia Kay Welch

October 28, 1962 - May 5, 2024

Shelia K. Welch, age 61, went to be with her Heavenly Father on Sunday, May 5, 2024. Shelia passed away at home with her husband of 19 years by her side. She was born on October 28, 1962 in Macon County, Tennessee at the Smith-Chitwood Hospital to the late Erthon B. Krantz and Alta Oneta Davis Krantz. At the time of her death, she resided in Liberty, TN where she made her home with her loving husband.

Shelia and Richard were married on September 18, 2004. Between them, they have five daughters and 13 grandchildren. Shelia leaves behind the legacy of a beautiful family and boundless love.

Shelia was a devoted Christian and was a member of Prosperity Baptist Church. She treasured her Church and the friendships and fellowship she found there. In her last days on this Earth, she found great comfort knowing she would soon be in Heaven with her Father and loved sharing the great news of Jesus Christ. Her faith in God during such a difficult journey is an inspiration and gives much hope to those around her. With her testimony, her family takes comfort knowing there will be a great reunion one day.

Shelia was treasured by many, and her relationships defined her life. She knew the value of family and friends and worked hard to make sure everyone in her life knew they were special to her. She always pushed for family

gatherings, knowing that our time on Earth is fleeting and that we must make the most of the time we have here. She was the family photographer, knowing the importance of capturing memories. Her family is left with the memories she captured and will find joy in looking back at the light and laughter she brought to the world.

Shelia also had a deep love and compassion for animals. She had many beloved pets throughout the years, but two held a very special place in her heart, Mickey and Minnie. She called them her “babies” and loved them dearly.

Shelia will be remembered for her big heart and fiery spirit. She will be greatly missed, but her legacy will live on and her light will continue to shine in this world.

Shelia is survived by: Husband, Richard Welch of Liberty, TN; Daughter, Sandi Jenkins, Daughter, Katy Jenkins, Daughter and Son-in-law, Candi and Chris Barrett, Daughter and Son-in-law, Laura and Chanse Hudgens, Daughter and Son-in-law, Kimberly and Justin Waldrop, Grandchildren, Christian Jenkins, Robert Burton, Gabriel Jenkins, Timothy Welch, Lacey Welch, Sarah Hudgens, Daniel Hudgens, Jacob Waldrop, Katylin Waldrop, Emily Waldrop, Patrick Barrett, Kayla Barrett and Rebecca Barrett; Great Granddaughter, Piper Jenkin; Sister and Brother-in-law, Teresa and Glenn Foss of Cornersville, TN, Sister and Brother-in-law, Denise and Tim Hesson of Lafayette, TN, Brother, Eric Krantz of Hendersonville, TN, Sister-in-law, Pam and John Gaymon; special niece Crissy (Ryan) Kosier and A host of nieces and nephews.

Shelia is at the Avant Funeral Home in Alexandria, TN. Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday May 9, 2024 at 11AM at the Prosperity Baptist Church with Bro. David Moody and Bro. Dean Sircy officiating. Interment will

follow in the Prosperity Cemetery.

Shelia's family will receive friends on Wednesday May 8, 2024 from 1PM to 8 PM at Avant Funeral Home and on Thursday May 9, 2024 from 10AM until service time at 11Am at the Prosperity Baptist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Prosperity Cemetery

Auburntown, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 8. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Avant Funeral Home  
109 High Street  
P. O. Box 434  
Alexandria, TN 37012  
(615) 529-2323  
kurtbass@bassfh.com  
<https://www.bassfh.com/>

## Visitation

MAY 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Prosperity Baptist Church  
45 Fites Lane  
Auburntown, TN

## Service

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MAY 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Prosperity Baptist Church  
20425 TN 96  
Auburntown, TN

# Tribute Wall

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“ Ms. Sheila was a beautiful lady all the way around and she made the world a better place for those who knew her.

Veronica - May 09, 2024 at 01:23 PM

KW

“ Shelia, was definitely my second mom. I lived with them when I was 14-15. She welcomed me as a daughter, even though she was a little strict, that was exactly what I needed at that time. I know that now. She was definitely the photographer anytime we were all together. Even though I had a photographer for our wedding , she still made sure to capture other precious moments. Also when I was planing the wedding , I'll never forget our conversation on the phone, she said to me, Kimmie, if you would like I can sit somewhere else, so that your mom an dad can sit together in the front row, I said what?, you are my mom too, and I'd expect to see you sitting next to daddy in the front row as well. We'll you could just hear that it made her teary eyed and happy. Not only did she help with pictures that day, but she also made sure all the food was presentational, and made fruit trays, and decorated my plain white cake with beautiful Roses. I'll never forget that. Also when I would be upset,usually with daddy, lol. She mostly took my side. But would also not hesitate to tell me when I was in the wrong. I'll never forget the love she showed me. She will be deeply missed. ❤️



Kimberly Waldrop - May 07, 2024 at 12:26 PM

FP

“ *From your favorite pineapple purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shelia Kay Welch.*



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**From your favorite pineapple** - May 06, 2024 at 07:24 PM

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“ *To my fiery Red Headed sister we have loved and laughed do many times over the years. Between softball days, band days and kids and grandkids. Go rest easy it's not so long it's save me a seat. Love your sister from another Mister,  
Tina Dyer*

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**Tina Dyer** - May 06, 2024 at 04:11 PM