



Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson

July 30, 1939 - February 26, 2026

Reverend Johnny C. Benson, age 86, of Euless, Texas, peacefully entered eternal rest on Thursday, February 26, 2026. He was born July 30, 1939, in Waco, Texas to Johnny and Gladys Benson and was raised in the countryside of Blum, Texas, where he developed a lifelong love for faith, family, and hard work.

In 1960, he received the gift of the Holy Ghost, a defining moment that ignited his calling into ministry. In 1961, he attended Pentecostal Bible Institute in Tupelo, Mississippi, and became a licensed minister with the United Pentecostal Church International.

In 1962, he met the love of his life, Sharon Lane, at General Conference in Columbus, Ohio. They married in 1963 and began evangelizing together throughout the southern United States, sharing the Gospel through preaching and music—Johnny on guitar and Sharon on accordion. They welcomed their first daughter, Annette, in 1964.

He served as Associate Pastor at Northside United Pentecostal Church in Waco beginning in 1965 and became pastor of Glen Rose United Pentecostal Church in 1967. In 1969, he answered the call to establish a church in Euless, Texas—a mission that became his life's work. In 1971, his second daughter, Veta, was born.

In 1993, he welcomed his son-in-law, Carl McLaughlin, into the family, and in 1996 they began serving together in pastoral ministry. Pastor Benson faithfully led the church he founded for more than five decades, leaving a lasting spiritual legacy. He also served as Texas Foreign Missions Director and as a Trustee on the Texas Bible College Board.

Beyond ministry, he loved ranching, hunting, and riding horses, especially at his ranch in Joplin, Texas. He was known as a man of integrity, strength, generosity, and joyful humor. His greatest joy was his family, and he treasured every moment spent with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Sharon Benson; his daughters, Annette Duvall and Veta McLaughlin and husband Carl; his sister, Charla Lewis and husband Tony; his grandchildren, Ellerie Saucer (Kaleb), Jonmichael McLaughlin (Gabby), Jacob Duvall (Brooke), Blake McLaughlin (Claire), Rachel Duvall, and Jenna McLaughlin; and his great-grandchildren, Easton, Adleigh, Beckham, Brielle, Benson, Nora, and Emma.

He was preceded in death by his father, Johnny Benson, his mother, Gladys Benson, and his sister, Lanelle Garrison.

Pastor Benson's life was marked by unwavering faith, sacrificial service, and deep love for God, his family, and the church. His legacy lives on through the congregation he founded, the ministers he influenced, and the generations he inspired.

The family will receive friends on Thursday evening, March 5, 2026 from 6 to 8 pm at Calvary United Pentecostal Church, 204 N Ector Drive, Euless, TX, 76039 where Funeral Services will be conducted Friday, March 6, 2026 at 11 am. Burial will follow at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

BlueBonnet Hills Memorial Park

5725 Colleyville Blvd
Colleyville, TX

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Calvary Pentecostal Church
201 N. Ector Dr.
Euless, TX 76039

Funeral Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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201 N. Ector Dr.
Euless, TX 76039

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



March 05 at 07:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.

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“ Cynthia Shew purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



Cynthia Shew - March 04 at 04:01 PM



“ Cynthia Shew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.

Cynthia Shew - March 04 at 04:01 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.*



March 04 at 11:57 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.

March 04 at 11:57 AM



“ *It is easy to say that very few people have impacted my life in a way that Bro. Benson did. I will always appreciate his dedication to the Word of God, his family and his church members. I appreciate how he always held a steadfast line regarding the truth. Some of his sermons will be forever etched in my mind; along with the prayers that he prayed for me. Thank you for your leadership and your friendship Pastor Benson! Praise God! You have earned a great reward in heaven! I know without doubt that you are dancing on streets of gold even now. It's not goodbye, but see you soon! Much love always! My sincerest condolences to Sis. Benson and the family. Praying for God's peace and comfort as we lay this great man to rest.*

Lois Flowers - March 04 at 06:41 AM

GW

“ Greg and Sharetha Wheeler purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



Greg and Sharetha Wheeler - March 03 at 06:39 PM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



March 03 at 03:22 PM

PL

“ Bro. Benson is a core memory of my life at Calvary. He was always kind, always encouraging, and filled with hospitality and love. He always had a godly word to impart, and you always left his presence feeling better.

He will be missed—but only for a while. One day, in the “Great Getting Up Morning”, we shall all meet again. Until then, we celebrate the life and gift that was Pastor Benson.

Offering my deepest condolences to the entire family.

Paul Latham - March 03 at 02:51 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



March 03 at 12:05 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



March 03 at 11:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.

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“ *Jerry/Mitzi Garcia & Fmly* purchased the *Strength & Solace Spray* for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



Jerry/Mitzi Garcia & Fmly - March 03 at 11:31 AM

WM

“ Great memories as a child when my dad would be invited to come preach for Bro. Benson in Euless. We had the most fun times with Annette and Veta (won't divulge the funny stories here) but great memories made with great people. Bro Benson, be sure to greet my dad who made it up there just under a year before you. Love this family and praying for you all!



Wyvette McLendon - March 03 at 11:30 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



March 03 at 10:47 AM

WF

“ With love from the Crosswhite family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Reverend Johnny Curtis Benson.



With love from the Crosswhite family - March 02 at 02:33 PM