



Clifford M. Banton

February 15, 1960 - August 27, 2013

Age 53, a resident of Albuquerque, died Tuesday, August 27, 2013. He is survived by sister, Kytson Whitmore; sister, Kelly Banton; brother, Micah (Saskia Wilson-Brown) Hahn; sister, Kaysie (Robert Hampton) Banton; nephew, David DiVito Jr.; nephew, Marlow Hampton; niece, Ayden Hampton; niece, Robyn Hahn. Clifford was preceded in death by his mother, Nedra S. Banton and father, Melvin M. Banton. Services will be held on Sunday, September 1, 2013, 1:00 p.m. at FRENCH - Lomas.

Previous Events

Service

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

KC

“ Kytson, Kelly, Kaysie, I am so sorry we lost contact with your family. Again I share your broken hearts! Cliff was very special to many people. I loved to hear him play the piano. My son, Paul Lufkin, and I spent a lot of time with Mel and Nedra and children for many years. I loved looking down on Gallup from your big picture window on Grandview. My sincere sympathies for your loss.

Kathryn Cox - September 09, 2013 at 07:50 PM

SA

“ I remember the time Nedra & I went on a trip to Colorado & stayed at Kitson's Apt. For a few days & we spent some time with Cliff ,he fixed breakfast Burritos for us & brought them to us. How nice was that! My daughter Marla & Cliff went to school together & even went to a dance together. Cliff you will always have a special place in my heart ! My Deepest Sympathy to all of the Family , my thoughts & Ptayers are with all of you !
Love, Shirley De Armond

Shirley De Armond - September 01, 2013 at 11:09 AM

PL

Old family friend here. I was one of Clifford's old friends at the Gallup church of Christ growing up - Paul Lufkin. I tried to get in contact with cliff around our 30th high school reunion in 2008 but was unsuccessful. I am saddened to hear of his passing. I will give several childhood memories of cliff and I together:

- always fun spending the night at cliffs house
- cliff had invented a game with pillows and pins. We would stand in front of our pins and try to knock the other guys pins down with pillows.
- cliff and I were baptized together in sept 1969
- impromptu going to the fair in 1970 in Albuquerque
- Mel, cliff's dad flew cliff and I to Albuquerque in 1971 where we happened to meet Pete domenici at a little airport there.
- trips to mcgafee together for church socials.
- the banton family parrot 'englebert'
- helping Mel and Keith feerer work on a plane.
- cliff and I playing tricks on kytson and Kelly (sorry you guys)
- werewolf scare in Zuni, 1970 when it hit the papers
- cliff was a pitcher for the little league giants. Mel made a pitchers mound in their backyard with a little tire. I remember how excited cliff was to show it to me. Referred to their practice field as candlestick.
- cliff and his dirt bike. Scared my mom to death.
- our wrestling matches
- going to Christian camps in Colorado, Albuquerque, and Lubbock together
- breaking our arm at the same time in 1972 (I have pictures)
- when kaysie was born in 1970 I believe
- watching Super Bowl at bantons house in 1970 - chiefs and Vikings
- kytson all excited to play delta dawn for us
- kytson constantly falling asleep in Sunday school (ha!)

You get the picture, I could go on and on. I can honestly say, cliff was one of my two best friends in grade school and was my best friend at church. Miss cliff and you guys. Love Paul

paul lufkin - September 06, 2013 at 06:03 AM

CS

“Cliff,
Thanks for always making me laugh and for
always being there for our family. We will all
miss you. Give my love to Nedra and
Grandma! You and your family are in our
thoughts!
Love,
Crystal



Crystal Scott - August 31, 2013 at 12:52 PM

RS

“Cliff, my cousin, my friend, my golf buddy- you will be missed! We
had some great times together. I will always remember you! I hope
your golf game is better in heaven, bud!
Randy Scott

Randy Scott - August 31, 2013 at 12:42 PM

PM

“Dearest Kytson, Kelly and Kaysie

We were so sorry to hear about Cliff's passing and our thoughts and
prayers are with you all. He was such a comfort to our mom and she
loved talking to him many times a week. He was always checking in
on her to make sure she was OK. He also liked to come cheer us on
when we bowled and that was always fun. I remember sharing the 3
cousins birthday together with Gloria all at Texas Roadhouse a few
years back. Cliff had to wear the silly hat - thank goodness! He will
be missed. All our love - Pam & Alfred Maez

Pam Maez - August 30, 2013 at 09:16 PM



“ *Yellow & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Clifford M. Banton.*



August 30, 2013 at 06:59 PM



“ *Akemi Rush lit a candle in memory of Clifford M. Banton*



Akemi Rush - August 30, 2013 at 03:03 PM



“ *Multicolor Pastel Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Clifford M. Banton.*



August 30, 2013 at 08:35 AM



“ *Cliff was my best friend we laughed together and we cried together we had a lot of good times and even though I hadn't seen him in a many years I thought of him often. I loved him like a brother, I will miss my friend.*

Chipper Chavez - August 30, 2013 at 08:05 AM

KE

Yeah, Chipper - the rest of the family has missed that friendship, as well. It will be good to see you again!

Kelly - August 31, 2013 at 12:57 AM

ER

“Cliff taught me how to drive a standard, how to play the guitar, and took me to a Page & Plant concert, just to name a few things. He was a very big part of my life and I'm thankful for the good times we shared. I love you, Cliff. I hope you're at peace.”

Erika Reed - August 29, 2013 at 03:48 PM

KE

I know he loved you dearly, Erika.

Kelly - August 31, 2013 at 12:58 AM

ER

“Erika Reed lit a candle in memory of Clifford M. Banton



Erika Reed - August 29, 2013 at 03:44 PM

SH

“On behalf of the FRENCH Family of Companies we want to express to you our deepest condolences.”

Shelia Hocker - August 29, 2013 at 12:43 PM