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A Celebration of Life and Hope in Christ

Funeral Service for Pam Mancil

Opening Tribute

Today, we gather to honor the life of a remarkable woman, **Pam Mancil**, who touched the lives of many. Though I did not know her personally, I have come to understand that she lived her 67 years with joy, energy, and love for those around her.

Pam found beauty in the simple but profound gifts of life—riding and caring for horses, casting her line while fishing, and finding peace at the beach where the waves meet the shore. These passions reveal her deep appreciation for nature, freedom, and quiet moments of reflection.

She also had a generous spirit, expressed in the meals she lovingly prepared for her family. Cooking was not just about food, but about love—gathering her loved ones around the table, creating memories that will live on in every shared recipe and every cherished family moment.

And beyond the home, Pam brought joy and camaraderie to her friends through the game of pool. Whether in competition or simply in laughter shared across the table, she built bonds that enriched her community and brought people together.

A life like Pam's reminds us that true greatness is found not in fame or fortune, but in the warmth we bring to others, the joy we take in our passions, and the love we give to family and friends. Though her time here has ended, her legacy will continue in the lives she touched and the memories she leaves behind.

Sermon: The Hope of Eternal Life

In times of loss, our hearts long for comfort. Grief is heavy, but the promises of God shine brightest in the darkness.

Jesus spoke in *John 14:1-3*:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”

This is the promise that those who believe in Him are never truly lost, for Christ Himself prepares an eternal home. **Pam Mancil** has left behind the temporary for the eternal, and we rejoice that she is in the presence of the Lord.

Paul wrote in *2 Corinthians 5:8*: *“To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.”* This is our hope—that death is not an end, but a doorway to everlasting life.

But these promises are given to those who belong to Christ. Jesus said in *John 11:25–26*:

“I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

This is the heart of the Gospel. Because of our sin, we are separated from God. But through Jesus’ death on the cross and His resurrection, we are offered forgiveness, reconciliation, and eternal life.

The gift of salvation is freely given to all who repent and believe in Him. Scripture assures us in *Romans 10:9*:
“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Today, as we remember Pam’s life, let us also reflect on our own. One day, each of us will face death. The question is: will we face it with fear, or with faith? Pam reminds us of life’s beauty, but also of life’s brevity. Let her legacy inspire us to live not only with joy and love, but with faith in Christ—the only foundation that gives eternal hope.

Ending Prayer

Graveside Committal

As we now gather at this graveside, we come with reverence and hope.

We commit **Pam Mancil’s** body to the ground, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust, in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Scripture says in *1 Thessalonians 4:16–17*:

“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.”

We place Pam’s body in this place of rest, but her soul is already in the presence of Christ. Today, we release her into God’s eternal care, knowing that His promises never fail.

Prayer of Committal:

“Almighty God, we thank You for the life of Your servant, Pam Mancil, for every moment of love and joy she shared. As we lay her to rest, grant comfort to her family, peace to those who mourn, and faith to all who seek You. Remind us that death has been defeated by the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.”

Graveside Blessing / Benediction

Now may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

May the love of God the Father, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And may the hope of the resurrection strengthen you until that day when all God’s children are reunited in His glorious kingdom.

Go in peace, and may the God of all comfort walk with you.