

# MICHAEL T. BENSON

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Dr. Shirley O'Brien  
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Dear Shirley and Members of the ECU Faculty Senate:

On behalf of Debi, our family, and me please accept our most sincere thanks for the beautiful flowers you sent to honor the life and legacy of my mother, Lela Wing Benson.

A very good friend shared with us a Jewish prayer which is used to honor the contributions of mothers on the occasion of their passing: "She still lives on earth in the acts of goodness she performed and in the hearts of those who cherish her memory."

We are so grateful for the outpouring of love and support shown to our family during this most challenging of times. Your kindness will be long remembered by all of us.

That we would receive these flowers – in addition to all the cards and notes and messages – during difficult times we all are facing speaks to the inherent kindness of all of you.

Thank you again so much.

Yours sincerely,

