



## Lester Jerry Elliott

July 5, 1927 - October 13, 2018

ADRIAN—Lester J. Elliott, 91 of Adrian, left his earthly home and went to be in his heavenly home with his Lord and Savior on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at his home under the loving care of his family assisted by Hospice of Lenawee.

Lester was born July 5, 1927 to C.S. and Toy (McKinney) Elliott in Tiger Creek, TN. On November 16, 1951, he married Faye Powell in Shell Creek, TN, she survives.

He worked at the Gerity Plant and then at Faraday for 39 years, retiring in 1994. After retirement, he worked from 1996 until 2010 for Adrian Dodge as a shuttle bus driver. Lester was a member of the Adrian Church of God where he was a lay minister and the outreach pastor at Provincial House for over 39 years, sharing the salvation message with everyone he met. Family and friends were very important to Lester; he will be remembered as a kind, loving man who dearly loved his Lord.

In addition to his wife Faye, of 67 years, Lester is survived by their children, Connie (Michael) Lane, Ted (Peggy) Elliott, Kimberly Elliott, all of Adrian, Pamela (Tom) Hagen of Auburn, MI, Jerry (Michelle) Elliott of Bay City; 19 grandchildren, Michael Scott, Adam, Sarah, Chantel, Phillip, Charles, Allison, Brent, T.J., Shane, Clayton, Wes, Holly, Ethan, Ellynn, Brooke, Madison, Molly and Anthony; 22 great grandchildren and 2 great-great granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Burgess, Drewey, Lawson, Earl, C.P. and Homer and sisters, Minnie Hicks, Etter Guinn,

Florence Birchfield and a granddaughter in infancy.

Visitation for Lester will be Wednesday, October 17, 2018, from 3 to 8 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home and on Thursday from noon until the time of the service at Adrian Church of God / Redemption Outreach Center. Funeral services will be 1 p.m., Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Adrian Church of God / Redemption Outreach Center with Rev. David King officiating. Burial will follow at Lenawee Hills Memorial Park, Adrian.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Phil Comar No Hands Rides for Parkinson's Disease (Michael J. Fox Foundation) or to Hospice of Lenawee. Envelopes will be available at both locations. Memories and online condolences may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lenawee Hills Memorial Park

1291 Wolf Creek Hwy.  
Adrian, MI 49221

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home and Cremation Service  
1501 W. Maumee St.  
Adrian, MI

## Visitation

OCT 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Adrian Church of God Redemption Outreach Center  
704 Baldwin Highway  
Adrian, MI

## Funeral Service

OCT 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Adrian Church of God Redemption Outreach Center  
704 Baldwin Highway  
Adrian, MI



# Tribute Wall



“ Lester Jerry Elliott

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ Mr Elliott, was such a wonderful neighbor. He would walk over to say hello and always pray with me! I always wondered if he could see that I needed a prayer. Now I know that he took every opportunity to share the grace of god and it was his calling. Such a blessing to have him for a neighbor and a friend. You are with your lord and all those who have gone before you. I know you are smiling and joyful in your reward.

Mary Annette Cunningham - October 19, 2018 at 04:41 PM



“ Everyone loved Lester!! If you knew Lester you loved him❤️He preach his big heart at Provincial House🌈 He always loved to sing 🎵 He would want volunteers to sing for our special residents☐ Our favorite song we would sing together 🧡 “ Me and Jesus Got a good thing going. Me and Jesus Got a good thing going.” I followed his lead.💚 Oh boy was he a good leader in Christ 💙 God has a special spot for that young man💜 He was an Amazing Man that preach the gospel to all Gods people like God spoke to do in the Bible 🌈 I love you like a Grandpa Lester!! You made it to Heaven Amen 🙏❤️☐  
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Heather Richards - October 18, 2018 at 04:12 AM



“ Sorry for your loss I liked his guggs

brigitte cook - October 17, 2018 at 06:57 PM

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“ Lester was like family here at Provincial House and he is greatly missed. Never a more faithful friend and servant than Brother Elliot. Between the countless prayers he shared with myself personally, I cannot tell you how many lives he touched within the walls of our nursing home. He has truly earned the rights to be known as a good and faithful servant. My heart goes out to family and I send my love and prayers. Thank you for sharing Brother Elliot with us for so many years. He truly made a difference and was a true example of God's Love and Grace. Rest in Heaven, Brother Elliot. We loved you so much!

*Shelley Halsey, Activity Director at Provincial House and on behalf of the residents*

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**Shelley Halsey** - October 17, 2018 at 03:25 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lester Jerry Elliott.



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October 16, 2018 at 11:41 PM



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October 16, 2018 at 10:22 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Lester Jerry Elliott.*



October 16, 2018 at 10:48 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lester Jerry Elliott.*



October 16, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Lester Jerry Elliott.*



October 16, 2018 at 09:53 AM



“ *Thinking of all of you during this difficult time Lester was a great guy and always such a good friend to my mom. She'll be so happy to see him in heaven. ❤️*

**Kathy Raines** - October 15, 2018 at 07:40 PM

“Kings, presidents & great dignitaries in the world would not have known Lester, but many in everyday life will remember his gentle, sweet spirit and constant witness for the Lord. He was a willing servant, willing to help others, reach out to them and pray. If he'd met kings or presidents, this simple, loving man would have witnessed to them also.

Lester was rich in life because of those outreaches to others for his ENTIRE life; it won him many friends who loved him because he cared for them first, just like our Lord does for us. To me, all of this made him a great man.

Personally, I remember his always coming up to the piano almost every Sunday after the service, sharing his nursing home experience earlier in the morning and reminiscing about times with my mom and dad and myself. I've known Lester since I was a girl in church. He was faithful, committed, willing to serve others and God, gentle and kind in spirit... who loved to tell a joke! He would tease me when I'd enter the sanctuary on a Wednesday night, saying, "The more they come, the worse they get!" with that great grin of his. Then he'd always take my hand and sweetly say, "You know I'm just kidding, Frances..." He had that mischievous side, but never wanted to hurt anyone! He never tired of telling his jokes and I didn't tire of him telling them. His laughing was infectious.

Lester is missed already as he wasn't able to attend church much this year. I loved him dearly and admired his boldness and sincerity to witness for our Lord and Savior.

I will miss you, Lester.

My sincerest condolences to all his family. He prayed daily for you all and his greatest wish was to see all of you living for the Lord. He still believed that would happen. He dearly loved all of his family. He often talked to me about what a "good woman" Faye is. And it is true. You're all good people.... look at who you came from.... a good, good man!

His singing, "This Little Light of Mine" and really getting "with it" on

*the guitar is one of my favorite memories. Sometimes he'd ask me to accompany him when he played, but he didn't really need the piano. His love and joy filled up the stage!  
His rewards in Heaven will far surpass (and even shame) most of us, for he won so many into the Kingdom of God.*

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**Frances Sneed** - October 15, 2018 at 12:37 PM

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“ *Lester found me one morning in 1996 at Adrain Dodge early as he opened the dealership each day, he asked me if I would like to pray. We went to what he called the "upper room" it was in the parts department upstairs where he had a small round table set up, he would take his sake lunch out he would pray then eat. Then we would share the Lord in many talks, I will miss you Lester you were like a Dad to me*

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**James Lynn Shuster** - October 15, 2018 at 12:22 PM

WM

“ *Ive had the pleasure of knowing lester ever since I was born, he was a loving man and cared about his family and winning souls to christ, he will be greatly missed*



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**Wendy miller-Washington** - October 15, 2018 at 11:16 AM

DB

“ *Dear family I am so sorry for the loss of Lester. He was an beautiful person and a joy to be around. He will be missed*  
*Diane Bowen*



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**Diane Bowen** - October 15, 2018 at 09:36 AM

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“ Dear Jerry & Michelle, you are all in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless, Tom & Mary Beth Dittmer

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**Tom & Mary Beth Dittmer** - October 15, 2018 at 08:01 AM

JG

“ I don't think I ever met a nicer man, Lester loved unconditionally, and wasn't afraid to share his love. But his greatest love was for his family and the Lord. I'll never forget his smile and how his face glowed when he shared his love of his Savior. Rest in everlasting peace my friend, you will never be forgotten.

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**Jennifer Griffith** - October 14, 2018 at 03:15 PM