



Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd

August 29, 1939 - January 25, 2019

Lee Jewell Shepherd was born August 29th, 1939 to the late John Terrell Shepherd and Rebecca Ladell Lewis Shepherd in McKamie, AR. He passed peacefully from this life on Friday, January 25th, 2019 at 8:43 p.m. at Community Compassion Health and Rehabilitation Center in Magnolia, Arkansas.

He attended C. S. Woodard School in McKamie and graduated in 1958 from Walker High School in Magnolia, AR. He was an elevator operator at the McAlister Building in Magnolia for over 30 years, where he encountered so many who remember him fondly.

He became known as someone who would engage in conversation with anyone, anywhere, on any subject, especially along his daily walks around the town. Though he told countless jokes, he was not a comedian; his main purpose seemed to make himself laugh! He must have known his laughing was contagious. Laughing, joking, smiling were just a few characteristics he shared with his brothers, and after their passing, he continued telling his stories and their stories. Through his storytelling, he gave valuable history to his remaining family, whom he always encouraged to get together for a reunion.

He is preceded in death by his parents, six brothers: Lewis Shepherd, Sr.

(2001), Preston

“Larry” Sheppard (1999), Cal D. Shepherd Sr.(2000), John T. Shepherd, Jr. (2000),

Charles Shepherd (2010), and Cotis Shepherd, Sr. (2002), and one sister-in-law, C. Darline Shepherd.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his daughter Lora D. Shepherd; three grandchildren: Sanchez Brewer, Tevin Curry, and Austin Evans; six great-grandchildren; four sisters-in law: Rosie Shepherd, Annie P. Sheppard, Geraldean Shepherd, and Naomia Shepherd; a niece and caregiver of the family home, Margie Shepherd Farris; and an abundance of loving and devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Celebration of life will be held Saturday at 11:00 am at R.L. Reed Funeral Home Chapel in Magnolia, AR. with burial to follow at West Cemetery, under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home LLC of Magnolia, AR.

Visitation will be held Friday at the funeral home from 12-4:30 PM

Sign our online guestbook @www.rlreedfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

West Cemetery

Columbia County Rd 30 East
Magnolia, AR

Tribute Wall

VR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the extended Shepherd family during this sad time. I will always remember Lee Jewell fondly -- his smile, that twinkle in his eye as he cracked a joke, and his fedora. Although I did not spend much time with him, I have many memories of the wonderful stories my father would share about them growing up together in Friendship! Lee leaves behind a wonderful family and I know you all will be a great source of comfort and support to one another. Wishing you peace to bring you comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. Lee Jewell will remain in our hearts forever. I wish I could be there to help you celebrate his life. Much love.

-- Victoria Robinson and the rest of the Robinson Family

Victoria Robinson - February 02, 2019 at 12:52 PM

TS

“ Teresa Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Teresa Smith - February 01, 2019 at 08:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd.



February 01, 2019 at 04:23 PM

RH

“ *Rosalind Howell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Rosalind Howell - January 31, 2019 at 11:37 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd.*



January 31, 2019 at 07:17 PM

EC

“ *Erica Critton-White sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Erica Critton-White - January 31, 2019 at 07:00 PM

CW

“ *Carla Williamson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Carla Williamson - January 31, 2019 at 09:16 AM



“ *Kimberly Broomfield lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Kimberly Broomfield - January 31, 2019 at 08:05 AM

MM

“ *Margie Warren Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Margie Warren Moore - January 31, 2019 at 01:10 AM

MS

“ *Mary Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Mary Shaw - January 30, 2019 at 06:00 PM

PR

“ *Peggy Rudd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Peggy Rudd - January 30, 2019 at 01:06 PM

PS

“ I remember Lee fondly from my many trips up the elevator in the McAlister building to see my Mom on the 4th or 5th floor. RIP Mr. Lee.

Phil Skinner - January 30, 2019 at 12:37 PM

RH

“ Regina McCray Henderson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Regina McCray Henderson - January 29, 2019 at 04:52 PM

BB

“ Praying for d family



Becky Watson Biddle - January 29, 2019 at 02:22 PM

VJ

“ Vevelyn Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Vevelyn Jackson - January 29, 2019 at 11:27 AM

KL

“ I absolutely loved getting to visit with Mr. LEE when I would deliver his medicine. He was one of the sweetest ever. I am truly sorry for your loss.

Kim Lester - January 29, 2019 at 11:18 AM



“ Sherry Marshall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Sherry Marshall - January 29, 2019 at 07:05 AM

SC

“ Lora , We're so sorry 4 the loss of your Daddy!! Our prayers are with you & Family. Lee Jewell was a great person & will be missed by many. We love you.



Sharon Cole - January 29, 2019 at 03:09 AM

SF

“ I'm sorry for your loss . Sending up prayers for comfort. 🙏

sharon ford - January 29, 2019 at 12:37 AM

HJ

“ I am sorry for the loss of Lee Shepherd. He always had a smile and never met a stranger. My condolences.

Hellen Jones - January 28, 2019 at 11:27 PM

ST

“ *Lee Jewell was the uncle that always had a joke to share and was always laughing the hardest at his own jokes...He walked the streets of Magnolia and never met a stranger...*

RIP Uncle Lee Jewell...we love you.

Stephanie Shepherd Talley

Stephanie Talley - January 28, 2019 at 10:26 PM

LB

“ *Loretta Beck lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Loretta Beck - January 28, 2019 at 09:49 PM



“ *Lora Wafer Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Lora Wafer Thomas - January 28, 2019 at 08:15 PM

IS

“ *Irene Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Irene Smith - January 28, 2019 at 04:23 PM

PM

“ I had the Banner News paper route around the square and I had several customers in the McAlester Building. Mr. Shepherd took me to the top floor and I would usually just take the stairs down. We would always flip quarters "Odds or Evens". Sometimes I'd win, but most of the time he would. He was always a gentleman with a smile. May he Rest in Peace!

Perry Moses - January 28, 2019 at 02:43 PM

BS

Enjoyed many talks,with Mr. Lee when I worked at his apartment complex! He always bragged about my coleslaw when we would have fish dinners! Very kind and wide man! RIL Mr. Lee!

Bea Smith - January 28, 2019 at 03:21 PM

MP

“ *Melody Pace lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Melody Pace - January 28, 2019 at 02:07 PM

MP

“ *Mary S. Pickings sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd*



Mary S. Pickings - January 28, 2019 at 01:28 PM



“ Know that you are not alone the Lord see your pain and will strengthen you. May it help to know that your friends care and are here for you. Praying for the family.

Louise Claiborne - January 28, 2019 at 01:06 PM



“ Dearlean Hughes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Dearlean Hughes - January 28, 2019 at 12:10 AM



“ Sylvia Briggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Sylvia Briggs - January 27, 2019 at 06:51 PM



“ It is a wonderful photo of Lee. He hadn't changed much since the way we remember him. And Im glad to his a hat like he do often wore in the background. David Rogers

David Rogers - January 27, 2019 at 06:17 PM



Thank you David, my uncle loved his hats 😊

Barbara Shepherd - January 27, 2019 at 09:20 PM

DR

“ Condolences to Lee’s family and loved ones from the children of the late Alvin Rogers: David, Susan and Judy. Alvin had an office in the McAlester Building, so we all knew Lee. He was always so pleasant and friendly, interested in us and interesting. We enjoyed his stories, his wit and his gossip. He was a lovely man and something of a trailblazer. May he now rest in peace. David Rogers

David Rogers - January 27, 2019 at 06:14 PM

GT

“ Gracie W. Tucker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



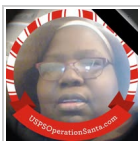
Gracie W. Tucker - January 27, 2019 at 10:21 AM



“ Rest in Peace Mr. Lee Jewell....



Creshendia Evans - January 26, 2019 at 11:35 PM



“ Mary Calton Strickland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Lee Jewell Shepherd



Mary Calton Strickland - January 26, 2019 at 01:52 PM



RIP Lee Jewell

Carol Sheppard/Flint Mi - June 20, 2019 at 02:51 PM