



## Donald (Don) Ray Lee

May 16, 1943 - May 30, 2026

With hearts full of gratitude and sorrow, we announce the passing of Donald (Don) Ray Lee on May 30, 2026, surrounded by his family.

Don was born on May 16, 1943, in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. He attended Loretto High School where he met the love of his life, Linda Williams Lee with whom they shared four children. He retired from Murray Ohio Manufacturing Company where he was a mastermind at solving complex problems in the experimental department.

He was a dedicated member of the Leoma Church of Christ. While no stranger to adversity, he met hard times with gentleness and faith in God's ever-present help. Don was kind, generous, and eager to share his love of Jesus and his garden harvest with anyone he met. He took great pride in his family - especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was a blessing to all who knew him and sowed a legacy of love which will last for generations.

He is survived by his wife of sixty-three years, Linda Lee; his children, Tim Lee (Ruth), Terry Lee (Glenda), Donna Evans (Jim), and Nathan Lee (Stacie); sisters, Charlene Story (Jimmy), IvaNell Murdock (Larry); grandchildren, Kristina Lee, Susan Silverman (Max), David Lee (Hannah), Jennifer Lee, Jonathan White (Daisy), Mary Mattison Caldwell (Davis), Natalie Mobbs (David), Miles Evans (Grace), Michael Lee, and Lillianna Lee; great grandchildren, Tray Bentley, Tanisha Hibbard (Matthew), Daisha Lee, Zaiden

Mitchell, Toby Mitchell, Brody Mitchell, Amberlin Mitchell, Rosalie Silverman, Maeve Silverman, Liza Caldwell, Annie Caldwell and Elicia Mobbs.

Preceded in death by parents, Forrest and Mattie Lou Lee; brother, Orville Lee; and sister, Brenda Gobble. Visitation will be held Thursday, June 4 at 10:00 AM and services following at 1:00 PM at the Leoma Church of Christ. Burial will be in Restview Cemetery.

Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of the arrangements for Donald (Don) Ray Lee.

# Cemetery Details

## Restview Cemetery

Loretto, TN 38469

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

Leoma Church of Chirst  
2600 HWY 43 S  
Leoma, TN 38468

## Funeral Service

JUN 4. 1:00 PM (cst)

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# Tribute Wall



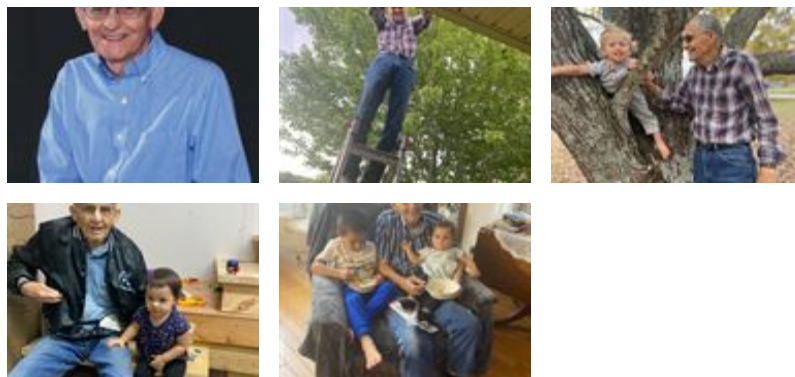
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Bennett - May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory - June 03 at 05:07 PM



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“ It was a privilege to hear this man's voice on the phone ,so kind, sweet respectful with each conversation we shared ,to never have met this man in person it was a true honor to have known him .Rest now Sir, you have touched a lot of hearts mine included.

Ella Medley - June 03 at 07:36 AM

KW

“ Don has been a friend and brother to our family since I was a teenager . When we first moved our church membership from Appleton to Leoma (in that old building) He invited our family to have Sunday dinner with him . Daddy (Jackie Wray) had gone to Loretto high school with Don (where he was quite a good basketball player) and had worked with him at Murray since the plant moved here from Cleveland. Don was creative, liked to build things , liked to know how objects worked . Over several years he built , lived in , and sold several different houses . All of these were amazing in their practicality and all included one big area for church gatherings, Sunday School , bus workers , Elders /deacons meetings ... fellowship. He never made me , but always encouraged me to say our class memory verse every week . Once he got me started , he wiuld start clas each Sunday with prayers , then “ now Keith is going to say our memory verse for this week . Soon he had every kid in class saying it every week. He once told my baby sister to be careful with that “sword” she had . It took us a minute to figure out he was talking about her Bible (The Sword of righteousness, part of the Christian armour) He always emphasized there was no armour or protection for your back listed in the Bible.. for a reason .. were to live our lives facing the world behind the armour of God and never turn our backs to Sin. Don had some rough times I don't think I could have survived. . But he never turned his back to them. My deepest sympathy to Linda , Tim, Terry , Donna,& Nathan . There's no doubt in my mind that Jesus words to Don will be “ Well done my good & faithful servant “

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**keith wray** - June 02 at 05:52 AM

SS

Thank you so much for sharing these kind words and stories about my Granddaddy. I will share them with Grandmama. They will mean so much to her.

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**Susan Silverman** - June 02 at 09:16 AM

LM

“ *I have so much love and respect for this man. He and Linda are so precious to all of us.*

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**Linda Markus** - June 01 at 11:45 PM

SS

*Thank you so much, Ms. Linda. We will miss him terribly.*

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**Susan Silverman** - June 02 at 09:18 AM

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“ *One of the most humble men I know. Always kind and quick to help you. He had a knack for cutting cakes and getting the slices to a precise measurement. He always showed love, respect and concern for his wife just as if they were newlyweds. In times of sorrow and or worry how did Don handle it - his faith in God was shining to the point you would not know anything was wrong if you did not know personally. He was an inspiration to his brothers and sisters in Christ. We love you Don and Linda.*

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**Carolyn Leonard** - June 01 at 04:20 PM

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*Thank you so much for your sweet words, Ms. Leonard. I will share them with Grandmama. We sure will miss Granddaddy.*

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**Susan Silverman** - June 02 at 09:17 AM