

A MESSAGE FROM

Heaven



Perhaps you aren't ready yet to have to say goodbye;
Perhaps you've thought of things you wish you'd said, well so have I.
For one thing I have told you not to worry about me,
I'm with the Lord in heaven now; you knew that's where I'd be.
Sorry you're feeling sad, for I'm so happy now,
I've ask the Lord to ease the hurt, and comfort you somehow.
It's hard at the beginning, but I know you'll make it through,
I hope it helps to know, that I'll be waiting here for you.

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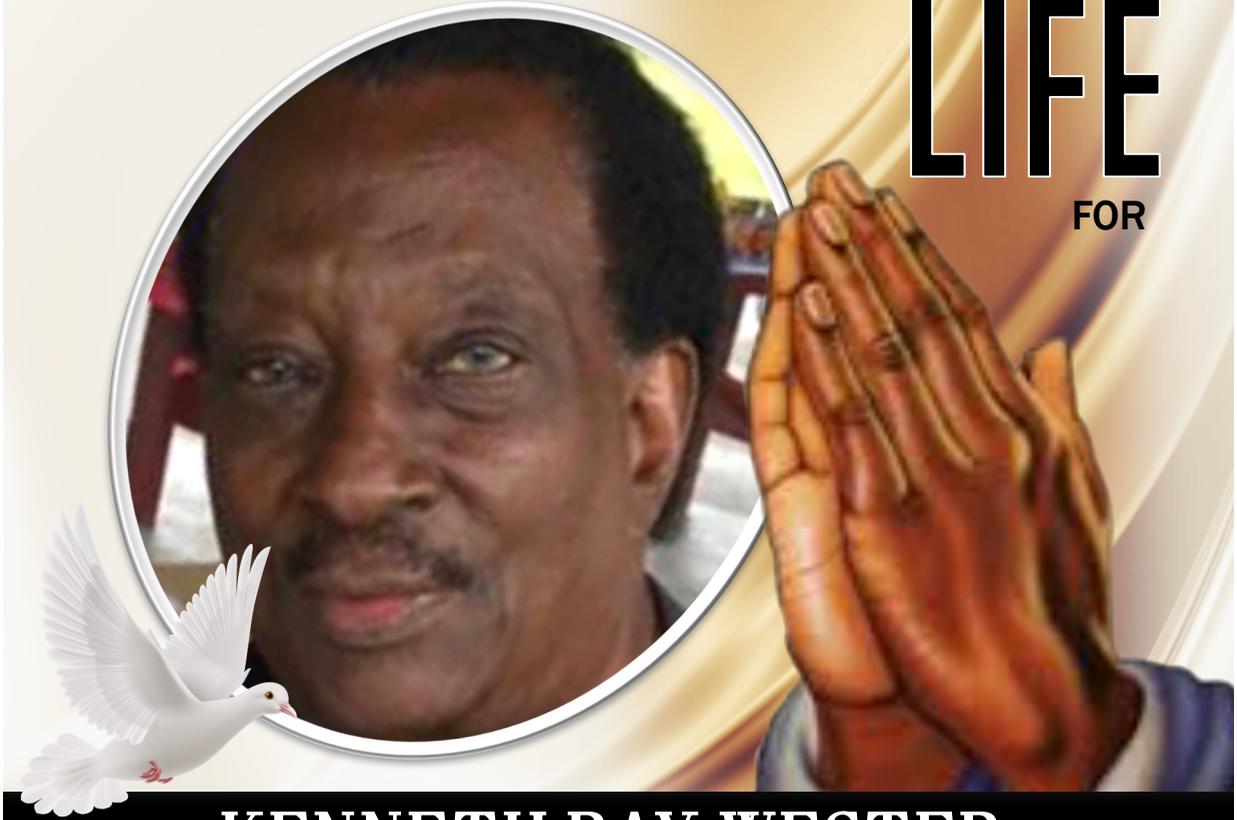
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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



KENNETH RAY WESTER

April 7, 1940 - February 19, 2021

Friday · February 26, 2021 · 11:00 AM

SANDERSON FUNERAL HOME

901 Main Street N. · Carthage, TN

Eulogist: Bishop Belita McMurry-Fite | Officiant: Elder Kathy Luster

With This Ring



Dear Lord,

You are faithful yesterday, today, and tomorrow. I thank You for giving me a husband who exemplifies that enduring faithfulness. Thank You for how he has kept the promises he made to me on our wedding day; promises of love, cherish, protect, and provide.

Thank You for his hands that hold my heart so gently; thank You that he is more like Jesus than anyone I have ever known. I praise You for the great gift that he is to me. Thank You for his example of faithful love, and I pray that I would give him only joy, submission, and devotion in return. AMEN.



For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:20 NIV

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Wester Family would like to express our sincere appreciation for your many acts of kindness, prayers, phone calls and texts, especially your love shown to us during this difficult time.

THANK YOU

We thank everyone who participated on the program and we desire your continued prayers for days to come. God bless each of you!

INTERMENT

Smith County Memorial Gardens · 622 College Ave. E. · Carthage, TN



FLOWER LADIES

Nieces
Great Nieces

PALLBEARERS

Nephews
Great Nephews

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Smith County Male Chorus
Cedric Lancaster
Roderick Townsend



TRIBUTES *of Love*

I am usually not a person of many words, but there are so many memories and positive things I could say about my Daddy. He was always a provider and loved us all unconditionally, no matter what good or bad decision I made in my younger years. He always guided us if we were going to start something...we had to finish it. A few times I took what he meant out of text. Over the last year we got to spend extra time together on our quarterly trips to St. Thomas. He will never know how much this meant to me. On one of our trips I asked him, "Daddy have I changed any in the last 20 years?" His answer was "Yes, 20 years ago I would not have gotten in the car with you driving to Nashville." I know in my hurting heart I wouldn't be half the woman I am today without him. I Love You Daddy with everything that I am. Well Done Servant. Until we meet again.

Your Daughter, Rhonda Wester, 2021

My relationship with Ray was a little different. I used to get to visit Carthage when I was little and I can remember one of my favorite things was seeing Ray. He would take us to the store and tell Rhonda and Lori they could get something....he would then tell me to get whatever I wanted. I always left with a bag full of candy. He never treated me different than my sisters. I wasn't even his step daughter in the sense of chronological order...but he treated me as one of his daughters just the same. Him and Sherry both have always welcomed me with open arms and I am blessed to have been loved by him. Just like I know I could count on you, please know that I will be here for my sisters and Sherry.

Shaquawana Wester

KENNETH RAY WESTER

SUNRISE: April 7, 1940 · SUNSET: February 19, 2021

In everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. -Ecclesiastes 3:1

A Time To Be Born: Kenneth Ray Wester was born in Lancaster, TN to the late Cordell and Louise Wester. He is also preceded in death by his sisters: Lois and Kay Wester; brothers: Charles, Edward Lee and Sherman Wester; grandson, Kenneth Ryan Wester; two nephews: David Christopher Wright and Hugh Lee Wester; two sisters-in-law: Dorothy Wester and Virginia Huddleston; goddaughter, Suketta Fite; two brothers-in-law: Howard Steverson, Jr. and Philip Steverson.

A Time To Die: Ray departed this earthly life and transitioned to his heavenly home on February 19, 2021. His transition will make a difference in so many lives that he touched.

A Time To Build: Ray attended grade school in Lancaster, TN and graduated with the Wilson County High Class of 1957. Ray was employed by TRW in Lebanon, TN where he met many friends. Ray accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age. He was baptized later at Braden United Methodist Church. Ray was also an honorary member of Heaven's View Baptist Church where he served both churches until his health failed.

A Time To Love: Ray was united in Holy Matrimony to LaSheryle "Sherry Steverson" Wester for 38 years. They had a love like none other. His love for his wife was selfless, unconditionally respectable, caring and faithful. Ray was very unique with his dark skin and blue eyes.

A Time To Embrace: Ray lived a blessed life. He loved the Thursday evening fishing tournaments with his big brother. He loved music, playing lead and bass guitar. He was a member of the Smith County Male Chorus, where his younger brother was president until his death. He also played at Heaven's View Baptist Church. He had a nickname almost for all his daughters, grandkids, great grandkids, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

There were so many adventures in his life that more than one book could have been written and it would have been a best seller. The last chapter of his book number 80 is now complete. He was loved by many family and friends.

A Time To Mourn: He leaves to cherish a very devoted wife, LaSheryle Wester; three devoted daughters: Lori Wester (Steven), Rhonda Wester (Alonzo) and Shaquawana Wester (Curtis) all of Cookeville, TN; a loving and kind sister, Sue White of Carthage, TN; five granddaughters: Stacey (Brad) Gore, Kendra Wester, Tiera Wester, Mariel and Maddox Robinson, all of Cookeville, TN; great granddaughters: Makiyah and Malia Gore, Kaizley and Nova, all of Cookeville, TN; great grandson, Kenneth DeShawn Wester of Cookeville, TN; four sisters-in-law: Lindy Taylor of Fort Walton Beach, FL, Rose Hosting, Tina Green, Gale (James) White, all of Lebanon, TN; two brothers-in-law: Terry and Sabstin Steverson of Lebanon, TN; two cousins that he always talked to on the phone or in person, Roderick Townsend and Cedric Lancaster and one cousin he had a nickname for, Sue Carrick.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Elder Kathy Luster, Officiant

Processional
 Selection.....Smith County Male Chorus
 ScriptureOld and New Testament.....Pastor Willie Cameron
 Prayer.....Leading Gentleman Deacon Edward Fite
 Obituary/Resolutions/Acknowledgement.....Elder Shirley Gross
 Selection.....Chandra Dirkson-Thompson
 Special Tribute.....Elder Rosie Hasting
 Selection.....Heaven's View Choir
 Words of Comfort(2 minutes please)
 Solo.....Bishop Belita McMurry-Fite
 Eulogy.....Bishop Belita McMurry-Fite
 Benediction
 Recessional.....Ministers, Flower Ladies, Pallbearers,
 Neuble Monument Staff, The Family



From the Grandkids
 Where do I even begin. We had a wonderful grand daddy. He had a heart made of solid gold. He loved all his grandkids and would do anything for us. He loved fishing and even taught us a thing or two about it. I will never forget all the times he took us out on his boat. He was always giving advice and good advice at that. He pretty much told it like it was! "ha ha". We will always cherish those precious memories that were made. Even though he is no longer with us, we know he's still keeping an eye on all of us. I hope we will like what he sees. May you rest in peace.....
 UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN.

Daddy,
 You will be missed by many, I loved you so much. No more hurting, no more pain, no more doctors. Take your rest.
 Always and Forever.
 Love, (Nut) lori

*Memories
 are
 timeless treasures
 of the
 Heart*