



## Mr. H. Wayne Lays

January 1, 1945 - April 6, 2014

Funeral services for Mr. H. Wayne Lays, 69, of Henderson, will be held at 10 am Wednesday, April 9, 2014 in the chapel of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Rev. Bill Gardner officiating. Interment will follow at Strong Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the funeral home.

Mr. Lays passed from this life on April 6, 2014 at his residence in Henderson. He was born January 1, 1945 in Henderson to Harold William and Frances Melba Prior Lays and had resided in Henderson since the early 1980's. Wayne served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and later became a Master Electrician. He was a proud lifelong small business owner, and he owned and operated Lays Electrical for many years. Wayne was a member of the Church Hill Volunteer Fire Department, a former member of Lion's Club International, and was a member of Southside Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Harold and Melba Lays; sister, Jenna Lee Lays Greenalch; and granddaughter, Katie Grace Perry.

Survivors include: wife, Ella Lays of Henderson; daughters, Darla Cloutier and

husband John of Henderson, Suellen Perry and husband David of Spring, and Wendi Wilson and husband Chad of Temecula, CA.; step-son, Jimmy McElveen of Mississippi; sisters, Karen Sue Lays of Dallas, and Debbie Hendricks and husband Bruce of Henderson; brother-in-law, Ed Greenalch of Hartwell, GA.; grandchildren, Johnny, Jake, Atlanta, Autumn, Austin, Jack, Joshua, Brock, Colton, Holden, Kylie, and Conner; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Pallbearers will be John Cloutier, David Perry, Tim Theisen, Matt Green, Mark Prior, and Holden McElveen.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Strong Cemetery

Cr 333  
Henderson, TX 75652

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

APR 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 S. Main St  
Henderson, TX 75654

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ Trying to connect with the family of H. Wayne Lays. My father was Harold William Lays. My grandmother was married to Harold William Lays in 1929 and divorced from him in 1932. He was in the service in 1929 at Kelly Field in San Antonio TX. I think my dad was H. Wayne Lays half brother. My email address is stoutkaren@att.net  
My daddy's wish was to know his brothers and sisters. He recently also passed away and I am trying to fulfill that wish by connecting to his family!

Karen Stout - August 18, 2014 at 02:07 PM

TD

“ Tonya DeKoker lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays



Tonya DeKoker - April 15, 2014 at 03:16 PM

TD

Praying for your family Ella. May God comfort you and your family at this time. Love you!

Tonya DeKoker - April 15, 2014 at 03:17 PM

BP

“ Benny Payne lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays



Benny Payne - April 09, 2014 at 09:57 PM

PP

“ *Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**pud patterson** - April 08, 2014 at 08:13 PM

JF

“ *Mrs. Lays, I am saddened to hear of Wayne's passing. We worked closely together in the fire service in the Rusk County Firefighters Association for many years. He also assisted me many times with his expert knowledge and skill as a master electrician. I have the highest regard for him. I extend my deepest sympathy to you and the entire family, and I will say a prayer for you all.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Joe Fox*

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**Joe Fox** - April 08, 2014 at 05:32 PM

BE

“ *Brandy Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Brandy Ellis** - April 08, 2014 at 04:38 PM

CM

“ *Claudia Morgan-Gray lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Claudia Morgan-Gray** - April 08, 2014 at 04:16 PM

GN

“ *Ella and family, please accept our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of Wayne. We are thinking of you and wishing you peace of heart. May you find renewed strength with each new day. Love, J. Paul and Glenda Nelson*



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**Glenda Nelson** - April 08, 2014 at 09:39 AM

PL

“ *Pandy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Pandy Lewis** - April 07, 2014 at 12:08 PM

DV

“ *Danny And Vicki lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Danny and Vicki** - April 07, 2014 at 11:01 AM

MP

“ *Ella, I am so sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. Was only a few weeks ago i talked to him when I was hunting you. I know it doesn't help right now but we know he is in a better place and isn't hurting any more. I will talk to you soon. I love you, Marie*

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**Marie Pierson** - April 07, 2014 at 09:29 AM

MP

“ *Marie Pierson lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Marie Pierson** - April 07, 2014 at 09:24 AM

AH

“ *My prayers are with the family. i recall him as a man that did what he said he would, when he said he would, exactly how he said he would.*

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**Aubrey Hammett** - April 06, 2014 at 07:12 PM

SR

“ *My thoughts and condolences are with Wayne's family and friends at this sad time. Ella, I'm so sorry.*



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**Suzanne Reed** - April 06, 2014 at 03:17 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. H. Wayne Lays*



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**Bob & Sue Henderson** - April 06, 2014 at 10:00 AM

JT

*Wayne was the best electrician in Henderson. Always, performed every job to perfection. He will be missed. Ella, I love you and am so, so very sorry for your loss.*

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**Jan Thompson** - April 07, 2014 at 12:56 PM