



Mr. Les Lewis

July 21, 1934 - December 23, 2018

Celebration of Life services for Mr. Les Lewis, 84, of Henderson, will be at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 29, 2018 at the South Main Church of Christ with Bro. Bob Payne officiating under the direction of Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson.

Visitation will be from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Friday, Dec. 28, 2018 at the funeral home.

Mr. Lewis passed away Dec. 23, 2018 at MD Anderson in Houston. He was born July 21, 1934 in Cleburne to the late William Henry and Flossie Mae Lewis. Les retired after serving 38 years as a Senior Chief in the US Navy. He also worked as a tax preparer for 29 years, and was a member of the NAEA, NATP, and WATP. He was also a licensed funeral director and embalmer. He served as an elder at four different churches, and was currently a member of the South Main Church of Christ.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Freda Padel and Earlene Anderson.

Survivors include: his wife of 63 years, Len Lewis of Henderson; children, Margie Brown and husband Keith of Gary, Bill Lewis and wife Raquel of St. James, MO, Bob Lewis of Arlington, and Alex Lewis and wife Joely of Lincoln,

NE; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be made at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

DEC **29**. 10:00 AM (CT)

South Main Church of Christ
402 South Main St.
Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your dear loved one. May the promise from God at John5:28,29 to resurrect our loved ones bring comfort to the family .

Dawson Family - December 30, 2018 at 09:41 PM

JY

“ James And Angela Youngblood lit a candle in memory of Mr. Les Lewis



James and Angela Youngblood - December 30, 2018 at 12:18 AM

AL

“ Here is a link to the family's tribute video.
<https://youtu.be/at3yO9ANsiM>

Alex Lewis - December 28, 2018 at 05:34 PM

BM

“ Becky & Thad Massengale, Mary Massengale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Les Lewis



Becky & Thad Massengale, Mary Massengale - December 28, 2018 at 11:58 AM

BM

“ *Sending you Prayers for peace and comfort. Having had the privilege of Les and Len's generosity and friendship I have and am blessed.*

Bonnie E Mitchell - December 27, 2018 at 06:03 PM

“ From the Port Orchard Church of Christ bulletin:

William “Les” Lewis passed away Dec. 23, 2018 in Houston. He was born July 21, 1934 in Cleburne to the late William Henry and Flossie Mae Lewis. Les retired after serving 38 years as a Senior Chief in the US Navy. He also worked as a tax preparer for 29 years, and was a member of the NAEA, NATP, and WATP. He was also a licensed funeral director and embalmer. He served as an elder at four different churches, and was a member of the South Main Church of Christ in Henderson, Texas.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Freda Padel and Earlene Anderson.

Survivors include: his wife of 63 years, Len Lewis of Henderson; children, Margie Brown and husband Keith of Gary, Bill Lewis and wife Raquel of St. James, MO, Bob Lewis of Arlington, and Alex Lewis and wife Joely of Lincoln, NE; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

So few words to describe a man of God. During their last time here in Port Orchard I had the privi-lege of serving first as a deacon, then as an elder with Les. And I can tell you that there was a lot more to this Lord’s servant than most members got to see.

Les was not perfect, and in fact described himself as a “dry drunk”, meaning that while he did not drink alcohol, he had many of the personality disfunctions that an alcoholic would exhibit (due to past experienc-es). But Les knew Christ and was confident in His ability to make all things for good.

Following Christ’s example, Les worked tirelessly to aid people in the congregation, and outside. He pre-pared many tax returns, refusing to accept a fee or even a gratuity from members. And, you may not be-lieve this, but Les was often the “pro” voice in elder discussions about possible new ministries. While oth-ers (including myself) were questioning if we should try something, Les had the faith that if it were God’s plan, it would work.

I miss the quiet times with Les, as he would talk about his past experiences. His coming into the shipyard in the spring and taking a ferry to Annapolis to find a worship service. Meeting a young lady that first week, going home with her parents for a meal. And her

father (Willard Hoover) sitting him down and laying out the expectations if he were to become their son-in-law (and this was on the day they met!) It must have worked, because when Les's ship left the shipyard in the fall, Helen ("Len") elected to marry him, and go to his next duty station rather than attend college as previously arranged.

So many other things come to mind, but in the end Les wasn't perfect. He was FORGIVEN. And now he walks with God, basking in the glorious eternal Sonshine!

-Dale Sanders



Dale Sanders - December 27, 2018 at 01:10 PM

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Dale Sanders - December 27, 2018 at 12:12 PM

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Dale Sanders - December 27, 2018 at 12:11 PM

GA

“ Les Lewis and family came to Montana for Easter once .they stay for 3 weeks due to a snow storm .. he called the Navy told them he was stuck in snow ...they asked him if he was nuts loosing his mind.. we had Monopoly going for 3 days on 1 game .



Gene abbott - December 27, 2018 at 12:37 AM

Steve Padel Sr.

“ Remembering my Uncle as a kind and loving man.. Early childhood memories of Decater Texas when he, Helen, Bob, Margie were between Navy enlistments.. Our times in Texas are some of my most pleasant memories of my childhood.. Thank you Uncle Lester, may the lord God keep you in loving arms forever

Steve Padel Sr. - December 26, 2018 at 02:54 PM

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I remember Les as one of the most kind loving men I've ever met. One year, when Gary was at sea, Margie drove down to San Diego to get me, Shelly and Eddie and took us to Washington for Christmas. We had the best Christmas. Les was a wonderful substitute father for me and grandfather for my kids. I know without a single doubt that he will be sharing eternity with Jesus.

Cathy Sampson - December 26, 2018 at 10:16 PM

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Our neighbor hood in Port Orchard is not the same since Len and Les moved to Texas. Les was a wonderful and caring person, always taking care of others. May you rest in peace Les.

Christine Slach - December 28, 2018 at 03:37 PM

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We never look across the street where Les and Lynn used to live without thinking of them. They were both the kindest of people and their neighbors here in Port Orchard are better for having known them.
Carol and Dale

Carol Haines and Dale Stevens - December 28, 2018 at 07:17 PM