



Lester Ellis

April 10, 1953 - March 5, 2016

On Saturday, March 5, 2016, CPO Lester Wayne Ellis, U.S. Navy, Retired, 62, was called to rest within God's arms. A native of Pensacola, Florida, he was born on April 10, 1953, to the late Mr. Benjamin & Lillie Mae Ellis.

He was educated in the Pensacola Public Schools System and later enlisted in the United States Marine Corp before joining the United States Navy and served in the military for a total of twenty-three years. He received many ribbons and medals while serving his country before he received his honorable discharge from his last duty station as a Cryogenics Instructor at St. Julien's Creek Annex, Portsmouth, Virginia on February 17, 1992. Later, Lester was employed by AMSEC in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

While serving in the military, Lester met and married his loving and devoted wife, Frances Lynnette, and settled in Portsmouth, Virginia. From their union they were blessed with one daughter and three sons. Lester, also affectionately known as, Eli or Mullett, to his family, friends and neighbors, loved them coming over to his home to "shoot the breeze" or socialize. Lester was a member of Mirac1e of Faith Baptist Church and loved his Creator and Savior with whom he is now experiencing eternal life. Also, he was a member of the American Legion Sgt. William H. Harrison Post 190, Portsmouth, Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Edward Wiggins and sister, Clementine Ellis.

Lester is survived by his wife of 43 years, Frances; his daughter, Tracey Slade (Jermaine); three sons: Norman, Alfred and Anthony Bishop; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; Sisters - Theresa Dumas (Melvin), Audrey Miller (Terrence), Marilyn Ellis; and Brothers - Cecil Ellis (Maritta) and Calvin Ellis; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and good friends.

The family of the late Lester Wayne Ellis gratefully acknowledge the kindness and friendship shown toward Lester and the family during the illness and final days of our loved one. We appreciate your calls, visit, flowers, gifts, thoughts, cards and prayers. May God continue to bless you.

We extend a special thanks to the staff, doctors and nurses for providing excellent care and service at Portsmouth Naval Medical Center and Compassionate Home Health Care; and especially family friends: Brian Allen, Quentin Neal and Mr. Michael & Connie Winbush and Mr. Milton & Sylvia Hill.
~ The Family

Cemetery Details

Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Wake Service

MAR 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
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Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Miracle of Faith Baptist Church
30 Claremont Street
Portsmouth, VA 23702

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Lester Ellis



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 19, 2016 at 02:16 PM

GC

So sorry to here that my old road have passed. I haven't seen him since 1978. Eli had a great heart. I looked for you many years Rest in peace shipmate.. Big George Chaplin from S.C.

George Chaplin - April 07, 2017 at 09:12 AM

PJ

“ *Wow so sad to just hear about my buddy, I am so disappointed I didn't get to see him in his final days .We spent a many if days laughing & drinking beer ,nothing but funny memories of my friend Mullet. He had the funniest sense of humor omg I am so sad just finding out from Tracey a week to late ! Gone but never forgotten . RIP my dear friend what I wouldn't give to sit in the den & have a beer with you right about now !*

peppy jones - March 18, 2016 at 08:50 PM

EJ

“ *ej from amsec, we shared a lot of good times together, sorry I can't make it up there, but my prayers are with the family, rip buddy*

ej - March 13, 2016 at 07:20 PM

AS

“ To a great man that I have known for many years. You were my supervisor and mentor, and you taught me many of the work skills I utilize today. We used to laugh and joke; you had such a good sense of humor. Sometimes we would disagree, but we always got along and worked things out. You will be sadly missed. "Miss Ellis", our prayers go out to you. If there is anything my wife and I can do for you please do not hesitate to ask. We will continue to check in on you to laugh and talk about good times.



God Bless,
Donald and Alice Speller

Alice Speller - March 13, 2016 at 05:42 PM

KP

“ Kent Phillips lit a candle in memory of Lester Ellis



kent phillips - March 13, 2016 at 02:42 PM

MT

“ *"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5:4*
Our neighborhood will not be the same without seeing Levi's friendly wave as we drive by.
May God bless and keep the family.

Mildred and Trinta Porter

Mildred Porter and Trinta - March 12, 2016 at 11:43 AM

CG

“ Cheryl Green lit a candle in memory of Lester Ellis



Cheryl Green - March 11, 2016 at 07:59 PM



“ 28 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 11, 2016 at 04:31 PM

EJ

“ Ej lit a candle in memory of Lester Ellis



ej - March 10, 2016 at 02:29 PM

MF

“ its been a long journey buddy. i.ll always have u in my heart. hope to see u in heaven. your stick man. Z OL Mole.

milton hill and family - March 10, 2016 at 12:56 AM

MF

“ *those we love, remain with us,for love itself lives on. cherish memories never die, because a love one has gone. Those we love can never be, more than a thought apart. for as long as there are memories, they live within our hearts. M,S,M,S Hill and family*

milton hill and family - March 10, 2016 at 12:46 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lester Ellis.*



March 07, 2016 at 07:09 PM