



Dale A. Lester

June 26, 1949 - September 22, 2018

Dale Adrian Lester was born on June 26, 1949 in Oskaloosa, Iowa, the son of Dwight Adrian and Norma Jean (Sarvis) Lester. He went to be with the Lord on September 22, 2018.

Dale was a 1967 graduate of Leuzinger High School in Lawndale, California. After High School he entered a three year tool and dye apprenticeship. His career included maintenance machinist at Disneyland, and machinist at Anheuser-Busch and the L.A. Times where he retired from. During his tenure at the Times, he worked part time for a company that sent him to Ground Zero after 9/11 where he disassembled a very large Newspaper folding machine for the New York Times so it could be sent to South America. They wanted him to go there and reassemble the machine but he declined the offer.

He loved working and keeping busy supporting his 12 nephews whenever they needed help; namely working on cars, trucks and motorcycles which was his passion. Dale is preceded in death by his parents and nephew, William B. Hoover. He is survived by 3 siblings, Sandra Justis, Peggy Hoover and Randy Lester. He has 11 living nephews, 1 niece, 9 great nephews, 13 great nieces, 1 great great nephew and 2 great great nieces. He will be missed by all.

Cemetery

Events

Green Hills Memorial Park

27501 S. Western Ave.
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA,
90275

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Funeral Ceremony

10:00AM

Historic Church at Green Hills Memorial Park
27501 S. Western Ave., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA,
US, 90275

Comments



“ Sorry to see this, my name is Steve Minard. Dale and I where good friends 1970s.went to church with him and most of you. Dale and I rode motorcycles all around the USA in early 70s. After I got married in 73 we went different ways, but always wondered about him. I thought about looking him up few years ago to see how he was doing. We are both old guys now with stories to tell , now upset I never did.
He was a great funny guy and will be missed
Steve Minard
Riverside,CA

steve - January 25 at 01:50 AM



“ Hi Steve, my name is Reggie.
I am Dale's nephew. I would love to meet you and hear stories of Dale from his times with you. That would be a treat, surely it would. I am local to Riverside. (951) 398-8522

Thank you.

Reggie Lester - February 20 at 02:56 AM



“ "I remember Dale signing in church. The one song that comes to mind is"GOOD BYE WORLD GOOD BYE". He had such a beautiful voice, sometimes he would sound like Elvis Presley when he sang.

Dale was a quiet person but with a great sense of humor and a love for his family and friends. I will miss him very much but he's in a better place now, no more pain and suffering. What a HAPPY REUNION in heaven with your Mother and Dad. You will be greatly missed and loved by many."

Betty Cortez Silva

Betty Cortez Silva - October 06, 2018 at 04:01 AM



“ I first met Dale when i was about 14 years of age. I found him to be quiet but with a big sense of humor. Even then i could see he was very loyal and loved very deeply.He loved family .
I have fond memories of singing duets with him in church. I was always amazed of his soft powerful voice. Everyone was always happy to hear that uncle Dale was coming over. Id see him through my kitchen window getting out of his truck with donuts or gum asking who wants to go get a Slurpee or a miguel burrito never leaving anyone out.

Dale was a fun uncle dependable, caring and giving. Sensitive in his own way. He always showed us he cared even to my Grandchildren showing up to games or birthday parties bringing over his famous strawberries just because he knew they loved them.

Over the years i didn't see Dale as much but we still shared a knowing that we cared about one another. i always knew if i needed him he would be there. I always knew if my kids needed him he would do whatever he could. I will always be grateful that i was able to see him one last time telling him i loved him and he the same.

Dale, we love you and you will be truly missed. Thank you for being a great uncle and brother to me.

Our loss is Heaven's gain. Enjoy you family reunion and we will see you again.

Linda Lester

Linda Lester - September 28, 2018 at 03:33 PM



“ As a little boy growing up I would always get excited when I heard uncle dale was coming over. He would always bring trident chewing gum and take us to 7 eleven to buy slurpees and lottery tickets. Dale would take me to car shows and I was always mesmerized how quickly he could identify every car by the year, make and model!! I will forever be grateful to him for instilling in me a passion for classic American cars. He even went as far as dedicating his own time and money with a restoration project we did on two old Chevy trucks. Those were some of my most fondest memories in my life and I learned so much from him. Dale was a very generous guy and was always willing to help anyone that needed him, especially helping people work on their cars. Even though I'm sad he's gone I have peace knowing he's no longer in pain and is with grandma and grandpa in paradise. Thank you dale for everything you did for me I love you and will forever miss you.....

ryan lester - September 28, 2018 at 11:15 AM



“ I will never forget the times Dale and I spent sitting inside of grandmas van in front of Dale's house. We would go fetch some hot chocolate and a breakfast sandwich from a local place in Rowland Heights and come back home to work on some project, only we would just sit there in the van because Dale always wanted to sit parked as a way of (1) putting off work a little while longer, haha, and (2) to allow an opportunity to talk with me.

We talked about personal things, dreams, let downs, art, potential avenues and goals. I fondly remember the days when it rained down the windshield and our hot chocolate would steam up and enhance the smell of oil and car lubricants Dale usually smelled of in that close little cockpit of grandmas old silver Mazda van.

Dale was always a second dad to me, and in that we had our issues at times, as all close relationships do.

I will miss him dearly and the only thing I can say I feel when I think of Dale is tenderness. No matter if it's my vast sense of regret or my warmest moments with him, I remember him tenderly and I will always love and respect him.

Thank you Dale, now and forever.

Reggie Lester - September 28, 2018 at 09:39 AM



“ Sandy, Peggy, and Randy,
So sorry to hear of Dale's passing. I will always remember him coming back with his friends on their motorcycles for Grandpa Sarvis's funeral and then he left them at my parents to head home. We laugh about that. He would entertain us cousins too. Will always remember his awesome singing voice. We know we will see him again. He and Lesli are without any pain now. What a family reunion that must be going on up there.

Lee and Connie



Connie Wright - September 25, 2018 at 11:44 PM



“ Two of my most recent memories of Dale. One night he called me very excited and said Sandy, you have got to go see this movie that just came out. It is so good and he just continued raving about it . He said you and Peggy will love it. It was War Room and yes, we loved it as much as he did. Secondly was this summer as he rode his electric wheel chair around Knott's Berry Farm. He loved the freedom and would drink all the diet cokes he wanted and sneak into the candy stores totally enjoying himself. But he always came back to watch the locomotive. He loved trains and said he wanted to drive it. How awesome when he boarded the train to Glory. Gives me such peace.

Sandy justis - September 25, 2018 at 08:23 PM



“ I will always remember Dale's love for his family & of course his fabulous sense of humor. He was a very quiet guy, but when he spoke it always was funny.

His love of God was apparent when Dale sang. One of my favorites to hear him sing

was, "Good-by World, Good-by." He certainly had the gift of a beautiful voice.

Debi Fredrickson - September 25, 2018 at 04:07 PM



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Green Hills Mortuary & Memorial Chapel - September 25, 2018 at 02:13 PM