



Elbert Preston

January 26, 1947 - March 15, 2024

Elbert Preston, 77, of Fairborn, went to be with the Lord on Friday, March 15, 2024 in Dayspring Nursing Home. He was born on January 26, 1947 in Paintsville, KY to the late Roy and Flossie (Jennings) Preston. Elbert moved to Ohio with his family when he was a teenager, where he met the love of his life, Betty "Sue" Ratliff and they were married on February 6, 1965. Elbert was a member of Miami Valley United Baptist Church for decades and was devoted to his faith. He enjoyed hunting and fishing in his youth, and working in his woodshop, but he never enjoyed anything more than his family. Elbert was preceded in death by his loving parents, Roy and Flossie; three sisters: Zelphia "Deal" Osborne Blanton, Mary Dean Osborn and Della "Faye" Adkins; and two brothers: Roy Alvis Preston and Freddie Preston. Elbert is survived by his devoted wife of 59 years, Sue Preston, of Fairborn; a daughter and son-in-law: Kimberly & Shane Fuller of Columbus, OH; two sons and a daughter-in-law: Scott Preston of Nashville, TN and Brian & Karen Preston of Willington, OH; a sister and brother-in-law: Phyllis & Roger DeLong of Fairborn; a brother and sister-in-law: Coby and Juanita Preston of Fairborn; five granddaughters; seven great-grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family, church family, neighbors and friends who will all miss Elbert dearly and grieve his loss forever. Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 10:00 Am in Miami Valley United Baptist Church, 660 W. Hyde Road, Yellow Springs, OH 45387, with Elder Curt Smith officiating. Burial will immediately follow the funeral in Byron

cemetery, with a dinner after in the church. Friends and family may also pay their respects during a visitation the evening prior, Tuesday, March 19, 2024, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in Adkins Funeral Home in Enon.

Cemetery Details

Byron Cemetery

3256 Trebein Rd
Fairborn, OH 45324
(937) 878-9700

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home
7055 Dayton Road
Enon, OH 45323
(937) 864-2288

Funeral Service

MAR 20. 10:00 AM (ET)

Miami Valley United Baptist Church
660 W Hyde Rd
Yellow Springs, OH

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elbert Preston.*



March 18, 2024 at 09:54 PM



“ *Octapharma 444 purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elbert Preston.*



Octapharma 444 - March 18, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ *Joe Bryan, Brenda Sayers, and Amy Davis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Elbert Preston.*



Joe Bryan, Brenda Sayers, and Amy Davis - March 18, 2024 at 10:04 AM



“ *Joe Bryan, Brenda Sayers, and Amy Davis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elbert Preston.*

Joe Bryan, Brenda Sayers, and Amy Davis - March 18, 2024 at 10:04 AM

DC

“ Danis Construction planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elbert Preston.

Danis Construction - March 18, 2024 at 09:04 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elbert Preston.



March 18, 2024 at 09:04 AM

TF

“ The McClanahan family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elbert Preston.

The McClanahan family - March 18, 2024 at 08:20 AM

TF

“ The McClanahan family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elbert Preston.



The McClanahan family - March 18, 2024 at 08:20 AM

PR

“ Phil Martin - Vandalia Rental planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elbert Preston.

Phil Martin - Vandalia Rental - March 16, 2024 at 07:29 AM

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“ Phil Martin - Vandalia Rental purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Elbert Preston.



Phil Martin - Vandalia Rental - March 16, 2024 at 07:29 AM

FF

“ Fuller family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Elbert Preston.



Fuller family - March 15, 2024 at 07:36 PM