



## Larry David Preston

December 24, 1946 - February 2, 2017

Larry David Preston, age 70, of Springfield (formerly of Yellow Springs) went to his new home on Thursday, February 02, 2017. He was born on December 24, 1946 to Luther Preston and Leone (Osborne) Preston in Paintsville, KY. His family moved to Ohio in 1956 where Larry graduated from Greenon High School in 1966. He met the love of his life and married Patricia (Damron) Preston on April 29, 1967. Larry worked for IH/Navistar until 1980, when he became disabled. Larry enjoyed becoming a master wood worker throughout his life and has lots of friends in that community. He was born again in Christ at age 17 and has been a member of Miami Valley United Baptist Church ever since. He was a deacon for the church for several decades. Larry is survived by his wife of nearly 50 years, Patricia Preston of Springfield, OH; his mother, Leone Preston of Fairborn, OH; his three daughters and sons-in-law: Lori (Greg) Boyer of Florida, Sheri (Walter) Adkins of Enon, OH, Teresa Lynn (Sinclair) Hay of Beavercreek, OH; a sister and brother-in-law: Carolyn (Steve) Allen of Fairborn, OH; two brothers and sisters-in-law: Gary (Doris) Preston of Casstown, OH and Jay (Cindy) Preston of Fairborn, OH; six grandchildren: Cassidy (Brandon) Apple, Dawn Boyer, Emily and Samuel Adkins, Connor and Kaitlyn Hay; 13 nieces and nephews; numerous cousins, aunts and friends who will miss him deeply. Larry is preceded in death by his father, Luther Preston; his parents in-law: Bob and Eula Damron; a brother, Billy Richard Preston; a nephew, Mike Walters, 12 Aunts and Uncles, grandparents and many loved ones. A funeral service will be held on Monday,

February 6, 2017 at 11:00 AM in the Miami Valley United Baptist Church, 660 Hyde Road, Yellow Springs, Ohio 45387, officiated by Elder Freddie Preston, Elder Curt Smith and Elder Eugene Wells. Burial will follow immediately in Enon cemetery, prayer led by Elder Denver Caudill, then a dinner will be provided in the church for all who can attend. A visitation will be held Sunday, February 5th in Adkins Funeral Home, Enon, from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, Larry requested that donations be made in his memory to Miami Valley United Baptist Church. (Mail donations to: Miami Valley United Baptist Church, c/o Gary Preston, Treasurer, PO Box 287, Christiansburg, OH 45389)

# Cemetery Details

## Enon Cemetery

6013 Dayton Springfield Rd  
Springfield, OH 45502  
(937) 864-2881

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear of Brother Larry's passing. On several occasions my dad visited Larry at the wood shop and Larry always made Dad feel welcome. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Sister Kathy Rowland and family.

Kathy Rowland - February 04, 2017 at 10:02 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Larry David Preston.



February 04, 2017 at 08:28 AM

RB

“ I worked with Larry in the wood shop for several years. I wood try to keep it as clean as possible. He used to purchase wood and it would take us days to put it away and after it was was done, he would say I am not going to buy anymore wood as I have enough wood to last him several life times, and it wouldn't be a couple of weeks we would be doing it again. I would mention to him about not getting anymore wood and he would laugh and say he got a great deal on it. After I learned to spray the things we made, he liked me to spray out his stuff he made ,because he always had runs in and I wouldn't have any. We would go different places to buy stuff for the shop and he would always ask me to drive him around. He was a special friend and will be missed dearly. This is not goodbye, just so long. Your friend and Brother-in-Christ Rick Baxter

Rickey Baxter - February 03, 2017 at 02:12 PM

RO

“ I'm very sorry to hear of Larry's passing. He was my first cousin, but growing up in Florida, I didn't get a chance to know him well. A few years ago I got a chance to visit Ohio and I was fortunate to spend some time with him. He was very kind, compassionate and giving. He had some sweet memories of my dad, L.R., that I will cherish. My thoughts and prayers are with Larry's family at this difficult time.



Rhonda Reese Osborne - February 02, 2017 at 08:31 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Phyllis A DeLong - February 02, 2017 at 08:22 PM

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Luther and Leone in front and Deal and Charles and Roger and Mary Dean Osborne in the back.....A little bit of Carolyn here.

Phyllis A DeLong - February 02, 2017 at 08:23 PM

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Phyllis A DeLong - February 02, 2017 at 08:13 PM

BH

“ *Patty, Sherry, Walter and families,*

*You are in Bob and I's thoughts and prayers. May God Bless you during your time of sorrow. We won't have his good pies down here but someday we will sit down and eat with him again. Love and prayers. Elder Bob and Sister Deretha Hackney*

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**Bob and Deretha Hackney** - February 02, 2017 at 08:10 PM

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**Phyllis A DeLong** - February 02, 2017 at 08:08 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Larry David Preston.*



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February 02, 2017 at 07:38 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Larry David Preston.*



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February 02, 2017 at 06:05 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Larry David Preston.*



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February 02, 2017 at 05:48 PM



“ *I remember getting phone calls from Larry to let me know he had some extra corn or beans or some other wonderful garden item if I wanted to stop by and get them. Larry and I are 1st cousins and share a love for fresh garden vegetables and beautiful flowers in the yard. he called one day to say he was digging up cannas if I wanted some. Rob and I went over that evening and got a big bag of those canna roots and Larry told us how to plant them in the spring. The plants were beautiful that following summer and Cannas continue to be a favorite of ours , we have them every summer here in SC. I will remember Larry as a man who loved the Lord and who served God faithfully in his much loved United Baptist Church. My thoughts and prayers are with all of Larry's family. I love you all. Mary Ann (Osborne) Humbarger*

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**Mary Ann Humbarger** - February 02, 2017 at 04:48 PM



*Larry was a cousin, but that does not seem enough to say. I loved him as a brother in church and he seemed like a brother to me all of the time. I was not much older than Larry and he was around a lot playing with Elbert and Coby.....I loved him.*

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**Phyllis A DeLong** - February 02, 2017 at 08:27 PM