



Mr. John Leslie Lester

April 17, 1935 - November 19, 2017

Mr. John L. Lester, 82, passed away on November 19, 2017, at North Mississippi Medical Center in West Point. John was born on April 17, 1935, in Batesville, the son of the late Willie Vinson and Faye Joslin Lester. John was a graduate of Batesville High School, where he participated in all sports. After high school, John played football at Tulane University in New Orleans. He then transferred to Mississippi State University, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Forestry. He married the love of his life Mary Horn on May 2, 1959, at her home in Raleigh. John came to West Point in 1969 as a State Farm Agent and retired in 2001. John was a member of First United Methodist Church in West Point where he taught Sunday School for a number of years. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially quail hunting and crappie fishing. John coached both of his sons in Little League baseball. Additionally, John was a big supporter of Oak Hill Academy and Mississippi State University. John was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend. In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his brother, Eugene Lester.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, November 22, 2017, at 2:00 P.M. at First United Methodist Church in West Point with Reverend Darian Duckworth officiating. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery in West Point, MS. Calvert Funeral Home of West Point is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include Wife Mary Lester of West Point; Two Sons, Monty Lester (Connie) of Collierville, TN and Lance Lester (Melissa) of Nashville, TN; Three Grandchildren: Tyler Lester of Collierville, TN, Courtney Gober (Kenny) and Colt Lester both of Nashville, TN; One Great Grand: Maddox Gober of Nashville, TN; Two Brothers, David Lester (Shirley) of Jacksonville, FL, and George Lester (Shirley) of Madison, MS, a number of nieces and nephews, and Special Friends: Catina Walker and Latonia "CheChe" Orr both of West Point.

Pallbearers will be Jamey Ballard, John Cherney, Frank Chiles, Tommy Henley, Wyllis Kemp, Brook Lester, Tyler Lester, and Kevin Flurry.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 293, West Point, MS 39773.

Visitation will be Wednesday 12:00-2:00 P.M. at First United Methodist Church in West Point.

Friends may leave an online condolence at www.calvertfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
West Point, MS

Church Service

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

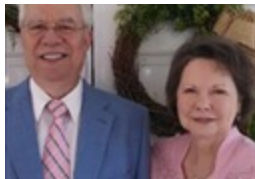
First United Methodist Church
West Point, MS

Tribute Wall

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“*Mary, Monty, Lance, and family, I am so sorry to hear of Mr. John's passing. I was his secretary at two different times at the State Farm Office. I enjoyed working with him and learned so much about the business from him. I think of him almost every time I balance my checkbook because he taught me how to balance the SF office checkbook. He was an outstanding SF Agent and Christian, and took an interest in all of his clients, not just his friends.*

I know he will be greatly missed in his family, church, and community of West Point. My prayer is that God will give you all the comfort and strength you need now and in the days ahead.



Aaron and Jeanne Parker - December 01, 2017 at 09:41 AM

BW

“*Sorry to hear about Mr John he was a good man ! I remember back about all the good times we had hunting at the Big Buck hunting club together ! He will be greatly missed ! Prayers for the family !*

Braxton Whitt - November 26, 2017 at 01:25 PM

RC

“*Mr. John was such a good man. We will miss him so much. Ronald and Ressie Cliett*

Ronald Cliett - November 22, 2017 at 03:40 PM

PH

“ Bob joins me in sympathy and prayer that you will feel God's love and comfort as you face this time of great loss. Priscilla Allen Harper

Priscilla Allen Harper - November 21, 2017 at 07:36 AM

BL

“ John was a gentleman in every sense of the word and a friend. Duke and I wish to express our sincere sympathies to Mary, the boys, family and friends. John will be missed by all who knew him. Bettye and Duke Lippincott

Bettye M Lippincott - November 20, 2017 at 09:24 PM

 John Sevier

“ John was a wonderful man and awesome State Farm agent who really took great care of his customers. I met him in 1982 when he became my agent. He was a well respected man within the community. He has shared his faith in the Lord with me and those who know the Lord will see him again in heaven.

John Sevier - November 20, 2017 at 06:44 PM