



Lenard Jackson Miller

June 29, 2020

Lenard “Len” Jackson Miller born June 16, 1941 to Ira Franklin and Metta Vienna (Sitze) Miller in Grassy, MO, Bolinger County passed from this life and was welcomed into the next by his ancestors at his home in Magnolia, TX on June 29, 2020.

Len deemed himself a risk taker in life creating quite the resume for himself in his 79 years. As a youth he worked hard on the family farm in Southeast Missouri. He spent his adult career as a Baptist Pastor, high school teacher, and eventually spent the peak of his career in corporate America. The highlight of his career was working as CEO of Sunshine Jr., dedicating himself to successfully turn the company around. Len obtained his Bachelor’s degree in History with a minor in Political Science and Psychology from Ouachita Baptist Univeristy in 1970. Len was provided many travel opportunities in his lifetime including the ability to retire to Ecuador in 2003 where he met the love of his life Jeannine. They were united in marriage November 17, 2007. In addition to his three biological children Len raised Jeannine’s three sons as his own.

Len joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in 1972, serving others in many callings throughout his membership. He shared his testimony with others of Jesus Christ and the teachings of the gospel in any moment he was given to do so. Len was solid in his knowledge of these things and held gratitude for his Baptist beginnings. Although he never served an official church mission, his time in Ecuador was some of the happiest in his life as he served the Lord through daily service of his fellow man.

Len lived a good life as a great story teller, student of everything, and teacher to all with a pure patriotic American pride mixed with genuine Texas pride that only Texans can know. He was afforded so many opportunities and touched numerous lives in his 79 years. We are so grateful he lived this life and carry on his legacy as we continue to follow his guidance and example.

Len is survived by his deeply loved wife Jeannine F. Miller, his three children Christy Link (Jim), L. Matthew Miller (Casey Schnack), and Ashley Akhtar (Kamal). He is also survived by his stepsons whom he viewed as his own sons Victor Zambrano, Jair Barberán, and Bryan Barberán. He is survived by his grandchildren who loved him as “Boots”, S. Miller, Pierman, Emery Link, Quincy, Asher, Kassius, C. Lennox Miller, and Vienna Akhtar. Len is also survived by his loving siblings D. Zeldean Munton, and Chester Miller (Susan). He is

survived by many nieces and nephews who thoroughly enjoyed “Uncle Lenard’s Stories”. Len was preceded in death by his parents, siblings Lynda Jackson and Vesta Sue, and his brother-in law whom he held in high regard, Eldon Munton.

“Leaders are born, not created.”

Services will be held July 18, 2020 at 1:00 pm. Due to COVID-19 and government regulations, the funeral service will be offered virtually with a link for those interested in joining.

Len Miller's Funeral

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81695959124> Meeting ID: 816 9595 9124

The condolences of the Addison family and staff go out to Lenard's family and friends.

Comments



“ <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81695959124>

Here is the link for the services.

Ashley Akhtar - July 17, 2020 at 08:50 PM



“ I am Clynn Lee and Mr Len helped me at a time in my life that I will never forget. He was a very caring person and had big loving heart. Rest in Peace Len and God be with your family until we meet again.

Clynn Lee - July 10, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ Thank you Clynn Lee. We are so glad he helped you and your life was enhanced by our dad. Thank you for your words.

Ashley - July 18, 2020 at 01:18 AM



“ I'm Harold Casner, I met and worked for Mr.Len at Woodland Fluid Power in Magnolia for almost 2 years. He was a great person to work for we became good friends and I'm sad to hear that he's gone now because we were pretty close in friendship and he's going to be Missed a lot . Rest In Peace Mr.Len



Harold Casner Jr - July 06, 2020 at 10:49 PM



“ Thank you Harold. We truly miss him. I do recall him talking highly of you and your friendship in the years since Woodland Fluid and Power. We are glad he had your friendship.

Ashley - July 18, 2020 at 01:20 AM



“ I met Len later in his life. At the time, I already knew one of his amazing adult daughters (Christy) who's determination to overcome obstacles in life was surely a product of her father's teaching and of her devotion to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It was my privilege to perform the sacred marriage ceremony between Len and Jeannine. It was humble, simple, and spiritual.

With all of his might, Len dove into this newly acquired family to provide, to protect, and to preside in righteousness with his wife. He was an inspiration to watch as he endlessly worked and worked and worked to give his sons the best shot at a better life in this great country of opportunity.

Len leaves a legacy of hard work, enduring love, great faith, and unheralded courage.

He made the world better than it was.

-Lloyd Stutz

Lloyd Stutz - July 04, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ Thank you Lloyd. My dad surely did leave the world a better place.

Ashley - July 05, 2020 at 12:47 PM



“ I'm Henry Miller, cousin to Len, his father was one of the older brother of my dad Milford C Miller. I never had the pleasure of meeting Len in person and was only able to get to know each other through phone calls, texts FB messages.

He told stories about our family, some of which I had heard from my dad and my Aunt Modean!

He told jokes and made me laugh.

It saddens me that I was not able to meet him in person but the time we shared is cherished!

Until we meet in heaven!

Love you Cousin

Henry Miller - July 02, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Thank you Henry. He told us how grateful he was to connect with you. He enjoyed the chats you two had. We are glad you made the connection to the family.

Ashley - July 05, 2020 at 12:49 PM



“ I, Lenard's sister, am the eldest of my two siblings, being 5 1/2 years older than Lenard.

Some two or three years ago, our brother, Chester, and I, in a telephone conversation, were wandering down Memory Lane, as we frequently did. Somehow it was mentioned and we began talking about Lenard's capable ability for relating a story or telling a joke. Both Chester and I admitted our inability to match Lenard's talents in those areas. Laughingly, Chester said, "Sis, do you think Lenard is really our brother?" Of course, I quickly replied, "Oh yeah, 'cause I remember when he was born."

Let me tell you how I remember June 16, 1941. To that point, Chester and I had no clue that a baby would arrive at our house. (That would not have been mentioned in those days.) From our grandparents' house that day I saw a strange car at ours. If there was a question voiced, I don't remember any explanation about the car. But when Chester and I returned home, there was a baby in the bed with our mother, and that baby was Lenard, who grew up to become the best storyteller in our family!

Zeldean Miller Munton - July 02, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ Cristy, even though I didn't know your dad, I can surely tell he left a great legacy and was loved dearly by many. Love and prayers to you all!! (I love the name, Boots!)

Melinda Davison - July 02, 2020 at 12:51 PM