



Chester Everett Payne

April 13, 1945 - May 3, 2025

Chester Everett Payne, son of the late Joseph Melvan Payne and Ada Marie (Gifford) Payne, was born On April 13, 1945, in Winnipeg, Missouri.

As a young boy, Chester grew up on the family farm in the Fairview community near Laquey, Missouri and was a member of the Fairview Baptist Church. He attended elementary school in Laquey and began attending high school in Richland, Missouri. Chester graduated with the Class of 1963 and served as an officer with the Senior class.

Shortly after graduating from high school, Chester entered the United States Navy and served his country faithfully until his honorable discharge in 1967. During his time in the military, he served in Vietnam and earned the National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device and the Vietnam Service Medal.

After his discharge from the military, Chester worked as an auto mechanic for many years, working for various dealers in Lebanon, Missouri and even owned and operated his own shop for a few years.

Chester was a charter member of the Francis J. Lynch VFW Post 3168 of Laquey, Missouri along with this father, brother and his sister was a charter member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Chester moved to Warrensburg, Missouri and spent the remainder of his years with his companion Linda Short and her family.

Chester passed away Saturday, May 3, 2025, in the North Kansas City Hospital of North Kansas City, Missouri having attained the age of 80 years.

Chester is survived by companion: Linda Short of Warrensburg, MO and her children: Kevin and Becky; sister: Laura Jones of Laquey, MO; brother: Bob M. Payne (Glenda) of Lebanon, MO; several nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Service with military honors were held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, May 17, 2025 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Pastor David Brown officiating. The songs "I'll Fly Away", "Amazing Grace", "Wildfire", "Spirit in the Sky" and "He Ain't Heaven, He's My Brother" were played. Military honors were provided by the Missouri Honors Team.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Chester Payne and may be left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 17. 12:00 PM.

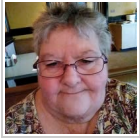
Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

Celebration of Life Service

MAY 17. 1:00 PM.

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Tribute Wall



“ I've known Chet for well over thirty years. From letters and finally in person, he was a sweet friend. I hope he is enjoying his freedom from a body full of pain, that he is sitting at the feet of Jesus.



Janice Howell - May 05, 2025 at 08:32 PM

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“ Chester Payne was a devoted son to my father as any other son that my dad had and as much a brother to all of us Booker boys, and we treated him as such! Chet was a very good person to be around, he stayed with us on a few occasions and worked with us as if he was our own, which he was and was a hoot to be around! I think of him often when someone says a certain word or phrase, such as high voltage, or by-damned, which was his favorite go to! There is so many good things about Chet to mention on here! We will miss you brother!

Charles Booker - May 05, 2025 at 08:14 PM



“ You will be missed, but Never Forgotten I already miss you lots. Thank you for being you. Thank you for sharing your Love & Life with Kevin & Becky, & Becky's son Seth Jr. Your in Heaven with "mom" Payne & your dad. I will always Love you. It's been many years as a couple. Love you & Miss you.



Linda Short - May 05, 2025 at 05:59 PM



“ *I'm glad to have known you the last 20 years or so and was honored to be able to take you to your appointments and even just to be out enjoying car rides seeing the country side. You will be missed but never forget!*

Kevin Short - May 05, 2025 at 05:25 PM



“ *Thanks for letting me get to know you Chester for the last 8 years. Say hi to my mom for me up there .*

Kat - May 05, 2025 at 05:19 PM