



Melvin Lester Hensley

July 8, 1944 - December 24, 2016

Melvin Lester Hensley, son of Clarence Ray and Ethel Angeline (Walters) Hensley, was born July 8, 1944 in Waynesville, Missouri where he grew up and graduated from Waynesville High School.

While in high school, Melvin played football and was a member of the first Waynesville football team which was coached by Bob Slaughter.

Melvin continued his education at Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Education, Master's Degree in Education and started on his Doctorate.

Melvin started teaching in Raytown, Missouri before moving back home to Waynesville where he taught for the school district. He also helped with several family businesses including his parent's fur business and sporting goods store. Melvin later owned and operated his own business, Roubidoux Landscaping Company, which he was best known for.

In his spare time, Melvin enjoyed being outdoors; whether it was a float trip on the Gasconade River with his brothers Doug and Dwight, fishing or hunting. He also liked to attend sporting events and was an avid fan of the Kansas City Chiefs, and University of Missouri Football and Basketball. He was also a very strong fan of all of the Waynesville High School sports especially football and

basketball. He hardly missed a game whether it was at home or away.

At an early age, Melvin made a profession of faith in his Lord Jesus Christ and was baptized.

Melvin passed away Saturday, December 24, 2016, in the Cox Medical Center-South in Springfield, Missouri having attained the age of 72 years, 5 months and 16 days. He will be sadly missed by all those that knew and loved him.

Melvin leaves to cherish his memory, his two children, Angela Hensley of Crocker, MO, and Christopher Hensley of Chandler, AZ; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; two brothers, Denny Hensley (Ruth) of Columbia, MO and Dwight Hensley (Marilyn) of Waynesville, MO; two sisters, Marlene Hartley of Waynesville, MO and Barbara Johnson of Albuquerque, NM; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Melvin was preceded in death by his parents; and four brothers: Lawrence, Don, Elvin and Doug Hensley.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, January 2, 2017 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Pastor Lindell Shelden officiating. The song "Oh Cloudy Day" was played and soloist Becky Lercher sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "It Is Well With My Soul". Serving as escorts were David Hartley, Robert Hartley, Mike Hartley, John Jarrett, Mario Medeiros and Joseph Ward. Serving as honorary escort was Mike Kelley. Burial followed in the Mitchell Cemetery of Waynesville.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Melvin Hensley and may be left at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Mitchell Cemetery

Waynesville, MO 65583

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
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Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Lester Hensley*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Pamela Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley*



Pamela Cox - January 03, 2017 at 02:09 PM



“ *Janis Thompson lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley*



Janis Thompson - December 30, 2016 at 02:34 PM



“ *RIP Melvin. You will be missed.*

Luge Hardman - December 30, 2016 at 09:34 AM

CD

“ *Cornelia & Robert Dodds lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley*



Cornelia & Robert Dodds - December 29, 2016 at 07:08 PM

LR

“ *As a child I remember him as the ice cream truck man, as an adult I admired his landscaping skills and think that he brought beauty to the grounds of the Court House Square. I will miss the beauty he brought.*
Linda Renno (Anderson)



Linda Renno - December 29, 2016 at 11:14 AM

BH

“ *Barb Hoskins lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley*



Barb Hoskins - December 29, 2016 at 01:30 AM

HB

“ *In the Measure of a Man, One can learn a lot from watching the creativity and work of a landscaping artist, especially that of Mr. Melvin Hensley as he beautified many areas and places for so many people. And, for that, we will be eternally grateful; May He Rest In Peace In The Presence and Embrace of His Creator!* ”



Harold&Brigitte Burleson - December 28, 2016 at 11:38 AM

LT

“ *Lois Tudor lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley* ”



Lois Tudor - December 28, 2016 at 09:55 AM

RK

“ *Ray & Sue Keeney lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley* ”



Ray & Sue Keeney - December 28, 2016 at 08:46 AM

RO

“ *Ronnie lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley* ”



ronnie - December 28, 2016 at 08:10 AM

TL

“ so sorry to hear of melvin's passing. our thoughts and prayers are with the family.



the loftons - December 28, 2016 at 05:04 AM

PS

“ Sorry to here that my friend for many years has passed on. Prayers to the family and friends of Melvin's. PEACE be with you.

Paul Stickley - December 27, 2016 at 07:30 PM



“ Melvin could tell some great stories and knew a lot about the local history. RIP Melvin.

Beth Wiles - December 27, 2016 at 06:29 PM

Lisa Mae Kelly

“ Mike and I were blessed in so many ways of having Melvin in our lives and part of our little family....we loved and still love him, we will always remember him. We love You Melvin.

Lisa Mae Kelly - December 27, 2016 at 06:13 PM

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“ Lisa Mae Kelly lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lester Hensley



Lisa Mae Kelly - December 27, 2016 at 06:11 PM