



Life Story

Lester LeRoy Brown, age 81, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 in the comfort of his home. Lester was born on September 19, 1940 in Elkhart to the late Floyd N. Brown and Winfred A. (Troyer) Brown. Lester married Mary I. (Oaks) Brown, together they raised their three daughters. Jae, Tonya and Laura. On January 1, 1989, he married Arleta "Sue" Ogeltree. She died on October 22, 2009. In addition to his parents, Lester is preceded in death by his first wife Mary I. Brown, sister Marlene and a grandson Mark Alter.

Survivors include daughters Janae "Jae" A. Lawrence, Tonya M. Emerson and Laura L. Brown; 7 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Celebration of Life

Please join us on Memorial Day, May 30, 2022 for the Celebration of Life Memorial for Lester Brown.

We plan on recreating the Memorial Day Picnics that Lester enjoyed so much. The family will provide meat, please bring a dish to pass.

Date: Monday, May 30, 2022

Time: 1pm dinner with Memorial following and ending with an open campfire meeting

Place: Fisherman's Shelter (1) Oxbow Park, Goshen IN.

Bring: A dish to pass and lawn chair

Lester retired as a machinist for a local parts manufacturer. He openly shared his recovery with friends and family. Lester was proud of his 41 years of sobriety with Alcoholics Anonymous.

He enjoyed being outside, working in and taking care of his yard. Lester thoroughly enjoyed riding his lawn tractors around his property. But at the end of the day, he wanted to be remembered as being helpful and useful. Lester, you were so much more, you are loved by many and will be missed. Lester was very handy and could fix most anything, but he always said "he couldn't fix a broken heart, but he could make a broken heart feel less broken.

To help the family better prepare, please let us know if you will be attending . Either call or text Lauree (574-596-3990) or Steve C (574-370-6116)