

Merle Everett Shoemaker

March 2, 1933 - December 3, 2022

Merle Everett Shoemaker, age 89, of Sweetwater, was reunited with his beautiful bride of 68 years, at the pearly gates on Saturday, December 3, 2022, just 6 days after the Lord called her home. Mr. Shoemaker was an Explosive Operator in the United States Air Force during the Korean War but spent most of his life as a General Construction Contractor. He was a member of the Sweetwater First Assembly of God church.

He loved spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. His biggest passions were growing the most beautiful garden you have ever seen and building very unique structures with his wild imagination. He would light up any room he walked into and could always make you laugh with his amazing sense of humor. Even though he wasn't one for showing much emotion, he ended up giving us one of the greatest love stories of all time...

Preceded in death by his parents: James Daily and Nettie Harriet Shoemaker, wife: Shirley Faye Wilkens Shoemaker, son: Danny Shoemaker, brothers: JD, Wayne, Leeroy, Albert, Donnie and Benny Shoemaker, sisters: Janie Shoemaker, Frances Wilkins.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law: Tammie Shelia and Douglas Wayne Rogers, of Sweetwater, grandchildren: Wes and his wife Lynsey Rowland, Dustin Rogers and Dexter Rogers, great grandchildren: Via, Claire, Ivey, Brayden and Laklynn, sisters: Joyce Braswell, of Carnesville, GA., Carol Denton, of Madisonville, and Linda Smathers, of Seymour. Many nieces and

nephews.

The family will receive friends on Friday, December 9, 2022 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 7:00 P.M. in Kyker's Chapel with Rev. Jeffery Rooker officiating.

Interment 11:00 A.M. on Saturday morning in the Sweetwater Memorial Park with full military honors provided by members of the Sweetwater V.F.W. Gold Star Post 5156. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Sweetwater Memorial Park

1838 Hwy 11 N
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 9. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



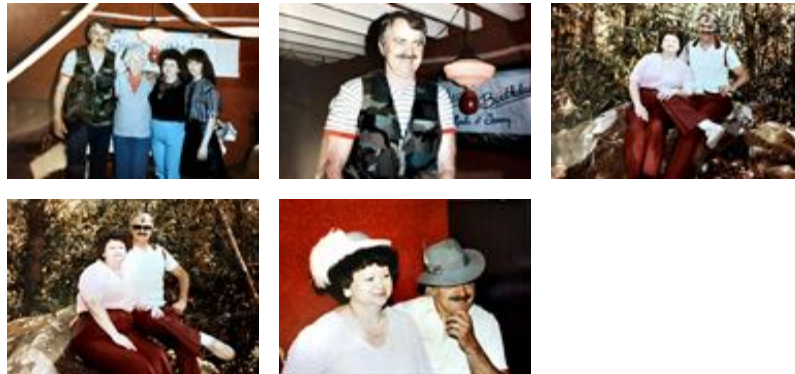
“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Merle Everett Shoemaker*



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“ *I met Mr Shoemaker years ago when I owned a convenient store in Paint Rock. I always enjoyed his visits and talking to him. He had great stories to tell. My condolences to all of the family.*

Amy Galyon Ervin - December 08, 2022 at 09:50 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Merle Everett Shoemaker.*



December 06, 2022 at 05:49 PM