



## Leonard Austin

December 2, 2009

### Obituary of Leonard Austin

Leonard Oakley Austin, 77 of Lady Lake died on Wednesday, December 2, 2009. He was born in Indian Mound, TN and moved to Lady Lake from Athens, AL in 2002. He was of the Methodist faith. He was a retired US Air Force Electronics Technician.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley E. Norris-Austin, Lady Lake, FL; 3 sons: Leonard Oakley Austin, Jr., Paducah, KY; Paul Bertram Austin, Peachtree City, GA; Phillip Lloyd Austin, Newnan, GA; daughter, Debbarah Lynne Austin, Stone Mountain, GA; 4 brothers: Carl Austin, Erin, TN; Malcom Austin, Indian Mound, TN; Bradford Austin, Indian Mound, TN, David Austin, Indian Mound, TN; 3 sisters: Alice Sanders, Paducah, KY; MaLinda Cockrum, Chicago Heights, IL; Brenda Jenkins, Clarksville, TN; 3 stepdaughters: Becky Brown (Larry), Fayetteville, NC; Jean Rangal, Jacksonville, FL; Jamey Elliott, Jacksonville, FL; and grandchildren: Amanda Austin, Cynthia and Elizabeth Austin, Stephen Glenn Parker Austin.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father; brother: Danny Austin, and 2 sisters: Alberta Shaw and Janie Devito.

Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at 1:00 PM at Beyers Funeral Home Chapel, Lady Lake, FL with Pastor Todd Herald officiating. Inurnment will be at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA will be scheduled at a later date.

### Services

Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at 1:00 PM at Beyers Funeral Home Chapel, Lady Lake, FL with Pastor Todd Herald officiating.

### Interment

Inurnment will be at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA will be scheduled at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

WS

“ well honey its going on a new year i guess i will do what we did last year sleep thru it but anyhow i no you will have a good year no more pain and suffering i love you so honey and miss you i still have a lot of work to do around here actually honey i really dont no where i will be this coming year its up too God to determine that but anyhow you and michelle rest in peace and love you both dearly and you will always be in my heart your wife shirley

wife shirley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WI

“ well honey its been a month already you left me it just doesnt seem possible for it is like you where here yesterday oh how i miss you i really dont have any plans what i will be doing but i will be taking you june 2 up arlington where you and i both will be at rest you no if i loose house i will be going up beckys for awhile then when i get on my feet think i will rent a house in holenwald tenn even if i dont get cabin builded i will be closed to the place we both loved your place and mind wouldnt it be nice if i hit the lottery like you always said dream on shirley lol well you never no but anyhow just had to tell you i miss you so much and love you

wife - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YS

“ I miss you dad!

your son - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ We all miss you Dad; I know that you are with us everyday.

Phill - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ well honey here i am i miss you so much every time i pass you and michelle i just wonder what you are doing me i just sit and wonder about you two my oh my do i miss you both it has been tough on me honey just dont no where to turn got e mail from jt said to let him no about the house oh how i wish we would have made it i still want to go thier but we will see only a miracle will get me thier im just at my wits ends dont have any more resourses oh well maybe wont be long till im with you and michelle now that would be a blessing for me no more fighting banks and goverment well anyhow love you

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**wife shirley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ LYNN IS TRUELY MISSED AND STILL LOVED. WE ARE SORRY FOR THE LOSS OF SUCH A GOOD PERSON FULL OF GREAT STORIES OF THE PAST AND KNOWLEDGE. ALL OF OUR LOVE. BECKY AND LARRY

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**becky** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ We miss you dad!

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**paul** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ well honey here it is xmas and im all alone with the thoughts of you and missing you so much dont no what im going to do now come the frist of the year have no plans for nothing my plans really went with you and dreams but i just wanted to wish you a merry xmas and wish Jesus a happy birthday love you both so much and i pray i will see you both soon and my daughter michelle and family well wish the best for me honey which i no you are doing and wish not only xmas be bright but the rest of my life be bright and thier one day will peace on earth you will always be in my heart leonard no matter what becomes of me my thoughts willll be with y ou and the others that have made the trip of no return to Jesus and God and heaven well i could write you a book honey going to rancey and bobs for dinner you probably be seeing him soon he is not doing well at all except rancey says he perks up every time i go over thier lol i love to make people happy and see them laugh and smile i loved your smile oh i miss you so your wife shirley

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**loveing wife** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YL

“ Thank you Leonard for serving your Country so bravely and strong! Most of all thank you for giving me the greatest husband on Earth and from Paul, the greatest son a mother could ever dream of. Stephen-Glenn Parker Austin will keep your memories alive. We will miss you dearly.

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**Your daughter in law** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ We loved you in life, your with us in death. May peace be with your family. As we will always treasure you in life ever after.. Now, Can Hillary make president??? Love you dad

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**Mary Parr/Debo/Patty** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YW

“ well honey its been only two weeks now that you took the trip to be with our lord but it seems just like year to me already oh how i miss you every minute every hour everyday well i guess that is the way life is it goes on no matter if your heart is broken i wont be able to see the gleem in your eyes this xmas for you always liked to open presents you where like a kid opening them lol i wont forget that use to tease you about that well anyhow just wanted to tell you i love you and it wont be long till we will go to nachez trace i even might go fishing and see if i can get me that big cat fish like you caught up thier thinking of you love you

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**your wife** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ Psalm 23 : The lord is my shepherd , i shall not want ,he maketh me to lay down in green pastures ,he leads me beside the still waters, he resotrith my soul, he leads me in the path of righteousness for his names sake, yeah though i walk through the valley of the shadow of death i will fear no evil for you are with me ,thy rod and thy staff ,they confort me ,you prep[arest a table before in the prsents of thine enemies ,you anoint my head with oil ,my cup runneth over, surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life ,and i will dwell in the house of the lord forever .  
You will be missed by your family your wife yours sons and daughters god speed the time for rest is here. I love you Dad

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**paul austin** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Shirley and Family, We are so sorry for your loss. You and all your loved ones will be in our prayers. The Peace of the Good Lord be you always. Kathy and Roland

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**KATHY AND ROLAND** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Aunt Shirley, So sorry to hear about your husband. We will keep him in our prayers.

Katie - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ shirley, there r no words ro express my sympathy at a time like this. my prayers r with you and the like. God be with you love naughty

gail - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Aunt Shirley, Please accept my deepest sympathy on your loss. i will keep you in my prayers.

Amy Stephens Hostetler - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Aunt Shirley, It waw great having you and Len at our Family Re-union this past July. It was great seeing him. He was a good man and he will be missed.

Roy James Keister, Jr. - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Deepest sympathy to the family; he has been and will be missed. Len was a great co worker and fun to be around. He will be remembered for his spunk.

Beverly Grush, Harbor Hills - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ Dad you will be missed by so many. With all the love we can give. We love you Dad; until we meet again.

Phillip L. Austin - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Shirley, we are sorry to learn of your loss. We grieve with you. Paul and Carol

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**Paul and Carol** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ God Bless You And Care For you Our Beloved Friend. We will miss your smiling face and we will always think of you with love. Lu and Sum

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**Lucille Grassi & Sumner Gow** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YW

“ i sure miss you honey and bo leo and pepe for sure we all love you so much but i no that God had your place with him or you would still be here with me and he did not want you suffering any more

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**your wife** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ Shirley, So sorry to hear about your husband. We met him once and he was a very pleasant man. You did tell us about his cancer, He is now pain-free and with the Lord. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Much love,

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**Terry & Pete Keister** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ LEN WAS A VERY PATRIOTIC AND A TRUE AMERICAN SOLDIER. I WAS PROUD TO HAVE HIM AS MY BROTHER-IN-LAW. I WISHED THAT I COULD HAVE SPENT MORE TIME WITH HIM. HE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED & MISSED BY MY FAMILY. I KNOW THAT HE IS IN GOD'S HANDS AND WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF. GOD BLESS YOU! ROY KEISTER FAMILY

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**ROY, NANCY KEISTER & FAMILY** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Shirley: We are very sorry for your loss. We only met Len one time but thought it was a very nice man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love Anna and Paul

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**Anna & Paul Smith** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Shirley, My prayers are with you. I know you are in a lost state at the moment. It takes a while to realize the one we loved so much is gone to a better place and I pray you will know you are cared for by so many, please let me know if there is any thing I can do to help during this time. Jeanne

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**Jeanne Bishop** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We wish you a well earned rest wrapped in the arms of angels and God's presence. To all your family we wish the peace that passeth all understanding. God Bless You All. With our love, Caryl and John

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**John & Caryl Keister** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Shirley so sorry for your lost..Len was a wonderful man and a true friend..He will be missed by so many..Now he is in heaven with my BELOVED DD..They will have a good time talking and laughing..I know there spirits will be with us and watch over us..Will say many prayers for you and the family..Love you Nell

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**NELL COCHRAN** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Leonard Austin

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October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ well honey its two months since you left me and to me it seems a million years i sure miss you every time some breaks down or walking pepe and bo and leo i say to my self len where are you but you dont answer me then i take a look at your pic and you tell me i can handle it and that smile on you tells me i can handle it but im getting tired honey still have plans for nachez trace oh how i pray that are dream happens dont care if loose house just want to be thier and i no you will be thier too with me and tell me what to do and we can sit out on porch and look over the hills like we did the last time we where up thier of course no porch had to sit in car things are going rough for me now but i guess i will be able to take care of them love you honey you are always on my mind

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**wife shirley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YH

“ well hon here i am all by myself and no one to talk to except bo leo and pepe but i guess thats better than nothing wish they could talk well havent heard from anyone for almost a week now i could be laying here dead and be with you and sometimes i wish that and than i wouldnt be bothering anyone just wish i was up in tenn than i wouldnt care if they called or not im still planning on that you no just wish i could sell this house than i wouldnt have any problems at least i dont think so but we will see have been packing up a few things like the john wayne collection and the xmas stuff g\ gave away most of the stuff i had outside except for two of the deers i had in the yard never can tell if i have a place can put then out well you no me and xmas got to have a little something out gee i sure miss you but i do have good memories and always will i love you honey and it wont be long till i will be making that trip with you to arlington than my job will be done and after that well maybe wont belong till i will be with and eppa my two fly guys well will say good nite its getting a little late take my babbies out and play one game of solitare and call it a nite oh by the way pepe took over your pillow wont let leo or bo lay on it no for sure he misses laying in your arms wish i would have gotten a picture of you two lol nite hon talkiing to you makes me feel better even if you cant answer but i no what your answers would be anynow or what you would say do it anyhow shirley you always do lol and you are so rite i do dont i maybe that is why i have the mess im in been playing lottery wish me luck well nite sweetis love you your baby shirely

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**your honey** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ I miss you dad ,and we are doing our best me and karla to take care of shirley she is part of the family as well .you chose her and at least my family respects that decision as well as the difference she made in your life ,we all love you ,paul

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**paul** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ well honey today is april fools day which you where here so i could play a trick on you lol but cant do that anymore can i well tomorow it will be five months already it wont be long now you will be at rest up in arlington and then i wait my time for the trip and i will be thier with you Im still trying to work on our dream of our place in the hills Going to name it and have a sign made up that says Austin Heaven and put it up in front of property and of course with michelle lee lane sign for the road to house how does that sound of course why do i ask you would say anything you say baby lol its ok with me Anyhow just wanted to let you know what my plans just wish you where here to help me but than again you are in some sence you took me to nachez trace and i fell in love with it so that is a part of you i will have to remember you by Yes also Paul and Karla have really been good to me they call me every week more than my own does to check and see if im ok Havent heard from debbie and phil since they left from here i hope i didnt do or say anything to them for them not to call me But what puzzles me not debbie calling me i thought maybe she would keep in touch with me But like you always said forget it dont worry about it they will call one day and like i say what ever lol Honey dont want to take up byers space to much but it is nice to be able to do this and talk express feelings \ Love you and miss you so much baby wife shirley

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wife shirley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ I f you need us Shirley we are here!!!! we all love you dad and miss you !

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paul - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ well honey just this month to this day and i will have you at rest in arlington and then my job will be done oh how i miss you so much you will never no or you might who knows it been six months now you left me on this date what can i say except i love you and miss you you

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**shirley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ At rest at last ,gods speed dad.

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**paul** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ just wanted to say hi hon sure do miss you and tell i still love you and think about you all the time its been so hot here sure wish i could sell this place and move up to holenwah like we planned im still working on it and i havent heard from the va yet eihter probaby wont its been three years come july yes and speaking of july our brithdays will be coming up dont have nothing plann for the 4th except maybe and the babbies will go swimming lol i know for sure pepe misses you everythime i say let go in the back to see dad he takes off running he is always lookin for you well that is about all i go to say i love you leonard and god knows i miss you for sure wont be to long i will be seeing you honey as soon as the lord wants me so save room for me with you will say good nite and i love you shirley

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**wife shirley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Just thought that I'd say how much I miss hearing from you Dad; I know in life I didn't turn out the way that you'd planned. I learnedf alot from you and am more like you than anyone else I know. I love you Dad. Until we meet again. Phillip

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**Phill** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

YS

“ well its been sometime since i talk with you on the internet lol but i do talk with you all day long at home and tell you how i miss you and i wish you where here to fix things for me and thier is pepe bogart and leo i no for sure they miss you for everytime i say where is dad they go looking for you but anyhow leonard i dont no how long i will be in house and havent heard nothing from the va yet but they did send me letter that are still working on it like you said honey it will take for ever maybe they are waiting to see if i will joining you who knows im doing my best trying to keep house in shape but get tired fast and it seems like everthing is starting to go up ac micro dish washer and now the big tv but you no i dont care im not replaceing them for if they take house they can put up with it ive decided to go and live with becky and larry and put my stuff in storage for awhile and belive me honey if i can hold out going to get the basement and house build up in holenwald if its the last thing i do i love leonard and miss you so much loveing shirley ps yes and it was michelle birthday this week and can you believe she is 53 and as been gone five years already time is flying hon

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**YOUR WIFE SHIRLEY** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ well honey its been over a year i dont think i even wrote to you xmas but its not any holidays for me with out you i didnt even decorate for xmas last year but i did want you too you are in my thoughts all the time and when i play our song i think of you singing it i still have your cds and the ones you made for me i shall always cherish them well baby miss you so and youll always be in my heart

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**wife shirley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Well Dad it's been almost 2 years now and Paul has joined you. Words just can't express how much I am missing all of you lately, but I know that God's plan is not for me to question. I miss you Dad. Give everyone my love and hug them and yourself for me. Forever in my heart, Phill

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**Phill** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM