



## Herman Leo Easterling

November 11, 1940 - May 15, 2026

Herman Leo Easterling was born November 11, 1940, in Laurel, MS, to Bracey and Hazel Easterling. On June 30, 1970, he married the love of his life, Janette Johnson, and they were married 56 wonderful years. He went to be with the Lord on May 15, 2026.

He graduated from Glade High School in 1959. After graduation, he joined the Army Reserves and served several years. He briefly worked for Masonite before starting his career with Shell Oil Company where he worked for 25 years. After his retirement from Shell, he worked as an independent consultant for many years. Due to Herman's career in the oil industry, he was fortunate to live and work in many parts of the country and made many lifelong friends. Upon retirement, he returned home to Laurel, MS, where he enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening, and mostly watching Crimson Tide football.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers George Easterling and Clinton B. Easterling, and son John Easterling.

He is survived by his wife Janette (Johnson) Easterling; sisters Linda (Wayne) Sellers, Gay (Phillip) Bush; children Laurie Walters, Lisa Ryals, and Clint (Wendy) Easterling; numerous grandchildren Amy (Shane) Stampely, Justin Ryals, Jason Simard, Lauren (Diego) Mendoza, Hannah Easterling, Cameron

(Crystal) Easterling, Kameron Warren, Jordyn (Austin) Herring, Keiley Camarena; ten great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Laurel, MS, on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. with a graveside service to follow at 3:00 p.m. at Union Seminary Baptist Church Cemetery located at 1844 CR 8, Laurel, MS. Bro. Buddy Jennings will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Mark Johnson, Kenny Johnson, Jody Johnson, Justin Ryals, John Welborn, and Nikolay Drake. Honorary pallbearers will be Cameron Easterling, Robert McLeod, Frank Parker, and Russell Walker.

To view or sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Union Seminary Cemetery

1834 County Road 8  
Laurel, MS 39443

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 26.** 1:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
3100 Audubon Drive  
P. O. Box 674  
Laurel, MS 39440  
(601) 428-5235  
memorychapel@comcast.net  
<https://www.memorychapel-laurel.com/>

## Graveside Service

**MAY 26.** 3:00 PM (CT)

Union Seminary Baptist Church  
1834 Co Rd 8  
Laurel, MS 39443  
(601) 764-3910

# Tribute Wall

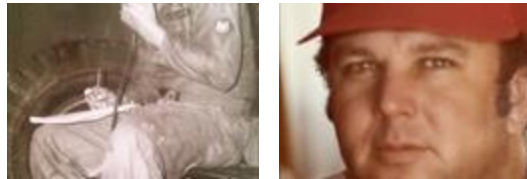


“From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to everyone who sent flowers, came to the visitation, called, texted, prayed, and loved on our family during this difficult time.

Your support has meant more than words can say as we grieve the loss of Herman. He would have been proud to see the love shown to our family.

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” — Psalm 34:18

Much love and gratitude from our family to yours.



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**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:21 PM

SS

“I have known Mr. Herman all of my life. He always had a huge smile and big hug to give. He was a real gentleman and I loved him and will never forget him. ❤️❤️

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**Shirley A. Sellers** - May 25 at 10:55 AM



Thank You for you kind words!

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**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:22 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.*



May 24 at 01:44 PM



“ *I first met Herman, when we both working for Shell in Cody, Wyoming. We worked together several times in the Rocky Mountain area after meeting. Always a friend. Herman is missed and remembered.*

**Scott H Detwiler** - May 23 at 05:02 PM



*Thank You*

**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:22 PM



“ *My boys and I are devastated by the loss of our friend Herman. Knew and worked with Herman all over Rockies and Gulf coast states since he had a duck tail and GTO in MS around 1970. Can tell funny stories about Herm for hours. We certainly had good times along with the hard work. Grief has hit me like losing a brother. Praying for Hermans family. See you later old friend not goodbye.*  
*Marty Lowe*

**Marty Lowe** - May 22 at 03:41 PM



*Thank You*

**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:23 PM



*Marty my Dad loved working with you, he was always talking and telling stories about your outdoor expeditions :) Sharing Pics and stories... He was th best at that!*

**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:24 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.*



May 21 at 10:06 AM



“ *Our prayers are with our dear friends Clint and Wendy, praying comfort and peace in this difficult time. We know how much you loved your Father Herm.  
Dan & Vell Greisen*

**Dan & Vell Greisen** - May 20 at 02:34 PM



*Dan and Vell, Love you guys! Thank You so much for your thoughts and prayers.*

**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:27 PM



“ *We are praying over the Easterling family. - Ken & Jenn DeHart*

**Ken** - May 20 at 11:42 AM



*Thank You So Much... The flowers were beautiful.*

**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:26 PM

JS

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Herm. I work with him on many jobs.  
Great Guy

john stephens - May 20 at 09:38 AM



Thank You!

Clint Easterling - May 28 at 02:26 PM

JD

“ JUDY SELLERS DAVIS-HARP

*Truly loved Herman. Frank and I often talked about visits to Wayne's and being able to visit with Herman. Having just lost Frank, there is little I can do or say to help you in this time of grief, but please know that my prayers and thoughts are with you. Just remember you are not alone; God is always there and He is strong. Trust God to carry you through.*

Judy Sellers Davis-Harp - May 20 at 08:55 AM



Thank You so much, my continued prayers for you and the family as well in your time of grief.

Clint Easterling - May 28 at 02:27 PM

DK

“ Daniel M Lee (Danny & Katie) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Herman Leo Easterling.

Daniel M Lee (Danny & Katie) - May 19 at 08:35 PM

DK

“ Daniel M Lee (Danny & Katie) purchased the *Care and Compassion Spray* for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.



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**Daniel M Lee (Danny & Katie)** - May 19 at 08:35 PM

KJ

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, Ms. Jeanette and family! Praying for you all as you go through these difficult days ahead! If we can do anything for you please don't hesitate to contact us.

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**Kimberly Johnson** - May 19 at 05:26 PM

MM

“ I'm so sorry. Praying for comfort and peace for the family.

*Michelle McCord*

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**Michelle Rena McCord** - May 19 at 04:48 PM



*Thank You so much*

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**Clint Easterling** - May 28 at 02:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.



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May 19 at 03:40 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Herman Leo Easterling.

May 19 at 03:19 PM



“ You were my strong, quiet strength. I always felt safe and protected with you by my side. I will miss you beyond measure. I love you Pops and may rest your head in the peace you so deeply deserve.  
Lisa

Lisa Ryals - May 18 at 11:51 PM



Love you Lisa, He will be missed, but he is still with us, every time you walk outside, you feel the wind in your face, the birds chirping, you see a cool sunset... He is there with you.

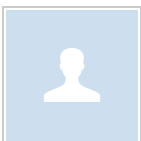
Clint Easterling - May 28 at 02:36 PM



“ Keith F. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.



Keith F. - May 18 at 03:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Herman Lee Easterling.

May 18 at 10:51 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Herman Leo Easterling.



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May 18 at 10:51 AM