



## Melvin Ray Davis

March 4, 1948 - March 17, 2019

Melvin R. Davis, age 71, born March 4, 1948 and passed away on March 17, 2019.

Mr. Davis was retired from Weatherford Fishing & Rental. He was a U. S. Army veteran and served during the Vietnam War. He was also an avid hunter and loved to fish and spend time with his grandchildren. He was well loved and will be missed.

He was also affiliated with the American Petroleum Institute, Masonic Lodge, HAMASA Shrine, York Rites Bodies, American Legion Post 11, and Bend of the Road Hunting Club.

He is survived by his wife, Anita Davis; brothers, William "Bob" Davis (Nitha) and Kennon Davis (Pam Clark); sister, Marcella Green; son, Lee Balliet (Ashley); daughters, Melissa Balliet and April Davis (Victor Cordero); grandchildren, Jade Hill, Skylar Balliet, David Lee Balliet, and Ava Graham; and numerous nephews, nieces, great nephews, great nieces, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Hubert Davis and Alice Vinson Davis.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at Memory Chapel from 5 until 8 p.m. The funeral services will be held at Memory Chapel on Wednesday, March 20th at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Lake Park Hills Cemetery. Duane Mitchell will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Michael Davis, John Davis, Matthew Davis, Mike Gibbes,

Kenny Lowe, and Tommy Lazarus. Honorary pallbearers will be members of the American Petroleum Institute of Laurel.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Park Hills Cemetery

2806 Emmy Dr.  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

MAR **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

CG

“ *Met Melvin in 1974. He called me brother then and I was his brother to the end. Worked with him for 20 years and enjoyed every minute with him. Rest in peace Brother*

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**Cooper Gunnell** - March 21, 2021 at 02:12 PM

SW

“ *Anita and family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. Melvin was always good to me and I will always remember the fun times we had.  
My condolences to all.  
Shawn*

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**Shawn Wansley** - March 22, 2019 at 10:48 AM

CE

“ *Praying for His Family And Friends 🙏🙏!*

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**Charlotte Ellzey** - March 20, 2019 at 09:22 PM

CE

“ *Charlotte Ellzey sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Melvin Ray Davis*



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**Charlotte Ellzey** - March 20, 2019 at 09:19 PM

DP

“ So sorry I couldn't make the services. I will always remember him and who couldn't remember Mr Melvin. Always smiling and joking, to know him was to love him. Praying for you all.



Denise Prevost - March 20, 2019 at 12:31 PM

JB

“ I worked with Melvin years ago. He was also a fellow Mason. Praying for God's comfort to the family during this time of sorrow.



Joe Busby - March 20, 2019 at 11:23 AM

CM

“ Coon Mills lit a candle in memory of Melvin Ray Davis



Coon Mills - March 19, 2019 at 08:21 PM

CO

“ My sincere condolences to the family. I am blessed to have known Melvin during my time of this earth. May the many memories you have of him and God's strength help you get through this difficult time.

Connie - March 19, 2019 at 12:39 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Melvin Ray Davis.*



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March 19, 2019 at 12:24 PM



“ *Kennon: Praying for peace and strength for your family during this difficult time.*

*David and Angela Rudolph and family*

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**angela rudolph** - March 19, 2019 at 10:30 AM



“ *My condolences to the Davis family. I worked with him years ago.*  
*John Rush.*

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**John Rush** - March 19, 2019 at 09:27 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Melvin Ray Davis.*



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March 19, 2019 at 09:25 AM

JK

“ Johnny and Judy Kell purchased the Mosaic of Memories Square Easel Wreath for the family of Melvin Ray Davis.



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**Johnny and Judy Kell** - March 19, 2019 at 03:29 AM

GK

“ Anita & Melvin had the greatest smiles when they laughed together.

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**Gillian King** - March 18, 2019 at 09:40 PM

WD

“ Where to start oh so many good memories and special times there was such a tight bond between Melvin and his brothers and sister if he Leaves one legacy it was always telling his brothers and sister everytime He talked to them that he loved them we miss him so much already but we know we will see him again rest well my brother

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**william r (bob) davis** - March 18, 2019 at 09:32 PM

TH

*For my cousins, something told me to check the obits this morning and I was shocked to see that my first cousin had passed away! Oh, my. Had I known I would have been there with you. Melvin and I were very close growing up and enjoyed each other's company very much. Hunting together with those old Black & Tan hounds was always exhilarating. We had many laughs together as youngsters. I'm deeply saddened by this. My love and sympathy go out to all my kin.*

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**Tom Herrington** - March 20, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Melvin Ray Davis.*



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March 18, 2019 at 06:15 PM



“ *Susan Holmes lit a candle in memory of Melvin Ray Davis*



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**Susan Holmes** - March 18, 2019 at 06:11 PM



*I'm very sorry I missed the service for Melvin he will be missed hope you are doing ok*

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**John mccaskill** - March 21, 2019 at 08:50 AM