



Wendell Lee Emerson

September 30, 1942 - March 21, 2013

Wendell "Lee" Emerson of Rensselaer passed away Thursday March 21, 2013 at the Rensselaer Care Center. Lee was born on September 30, 1942 in Bryan, Oh to the late Wendell Duncan Emerson and Dorothy F. Emerson. Lee graduated from Auburn High School class of 1961. After high school he went on to study at Devry Institute, Marion College and received his divinity degree at Garrett Theological Seminary. He is an United States Air Force Veteran, serving four years in the 60's. He worked at Magnavox and Magnetek as an electronic technician and served area United Methodist Churches in LaCrosse, Teft, Goodland, Raub, and Mt. Gilboa, Fowler.

In 1965 he married Kenijo Brown and they had three children together: Michael (Kathy) Emerson- Kingsford Heights, IN, Wendi (John Rickett) Schanlaub- Franklin, IN and Kenneth (Jenny) Emerson-Greenwood, IN.

Later he married Linda Claussen Sigman at Fountain Park, in 1990.

Lee enjoyed oil painting at Chautauqua, working on his computer, watching TV and caring for his Church Family.

He was very proud of his grandchildren; Nicholas Schanlaub, Amanda (Joseph) Harmon, Michael (Bobbi) Emerson, Victoria and Anthony Emerson, and Step grandchildren Alicia and Bob Lusco.

Also surviving are his brother Pastor Phil (Phyllis) Emerson of Fort Wayne, and sister Kaye (Jim) Sorrell of LaFontaine, Great grandchildren; Christopher, Michael III, and Kilyle Emerson. Lee is survived by, his wife, Linda's two daughters Shelly Sigman and Angela Sigman Patton. Linda's three grandsons

Matthew Sigman, Zack and Nate Patton, a niece and several nephews.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Gilboa United Methodist Church 8322 E. 300 N. Fowler, IN 47944 or the Activities Department at the Rensselaer Care Center 1309 E. Grace St., Rensselaer.

Family and friends are to gather at Jackson Funeral Chapel at 10:45 A.M (Central) then proceed to a graveside service at Weston Cemetery in Rensselaer at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 30, 2013. Then, a Celebration of Life will be held at 2:00 P.M (Central) at Mt. Gilboa United Methodist Church Fowler, Indiana with Pastor Jason Davis officiating.

Cemetery Details

Weston Cemetery

Weston Cemetery
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5626

Previous Events

Service

MAR 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Visitation

MAR 30. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Gilboa United Methodist Church
8322 E. 300 N.
Fowler, IN 47944

Celebration of Life

MAR 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Fowler, IN 47944

Tribute Wall

BD

“ Linda and family your in our thoughts John and Bonnie Dunlap.



Bonnie Dunlap - April 01, 2013 at 01:10 PM

DG

“ Linda and Family,



Donna Gilbert - March 30, 2013 at 08:37 AM

DG

Sending prayers to you and your family at this difficult time. Lee was such a great artist at Chautauqua. Sincerely, Cottage 59

Donna Gilbert - March 30, 2013 at 08:39 AM

LK

“ Linda. So sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers.



Larry& Judy Koebcke - March 29, 2013 at 09:40 PM

JM

“ Jackie/Tabby Evans Malchow lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson



Jackie/Tabby Evans Malchow - March 26, 2013 at 08:06 AM

Rex
McClellan

“ Rex McClellan lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson



Rex McClellan - March 26, 2013 at 06:19 AM

JO

“ Janice Odom lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson



Janice Odom - March 25, 2013 at 09:12 AM

JO

Our heartfelt sympathies Linda to you and your entire family. Sincerely-
Mick & Janice Odom

Janice Odom - March 25, 2013 at 09:17 AM

DW

“ *David Walter lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson*



David Walter - March 25, 2013 at 08:44 AM

DW

Sorry for your loss David & Nancy Walter

David Walter - March 25, 2013 at 08:46 AM

MN

“ *Marvin And Rose Nesius lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson*



Marvin and Rose Nesius - March 24, 2013 at 02:55 PM

LP

“ *Linda, our condolences to you and your family. May he rest in peace*

Ron & Lib Prohosky



Lib Prohosky - March 23, 2013 at 08:07 PM

Paula
Rayburn

“ *Linda, I am so sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family for peace and comfort.*



Paula Rayburn - March 23, 2013 at 06:22 PM

ME

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Mike Emerson - March 23, 2013 at 06:16 PM

TF

“ *Tom And Nancy Phillips And Family lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson*



Tom and Nancy Phillips and family - March 23, 2013 at 11:46 AM

TF

Oh, the years of Bible study together, and the wealth of knowledge Lee shared with us. The blue candle is for Heaven, where he now resides. He's happy and healthy, now, and in the Lord's presence. Thank you, Lord, for taking him home to be with you. Linda, may the Lord be with you as you start this new chapter in your life. I pray you'll feel his presence with you daily. Love you.

Tom and Nancy Phillips and family - March 23, 2013 at 11:55 AM

AT

“ Allen & Pat Toben lit a candle in memory of
Wendell Lee Emerson



Allen & Pat Toben - March 23, 2013 at 11:11 AM

AT

*Thinking of you and your family. God Bless.
We will see you next Saturday.*

Allen & Pat Toben - March 23, 2013 at 11:12 AM

KE

“ *I can't light a candle or send a gift for Lee... No one could light a candle to him.. There is so many thing's I could say about my father-in-law, like the way he laughed.. It always made my heart laugh.. The way he would joke with me and I would give it right back to him.. The son he has that is the Love of my life.. {Mike}.. He gave me more than he even knew.. Acception, Respect, and Love... I will always miss you Dad.. {Kathy}*

Kathy Emerson - March 22, 2013 at 10:19 PM

AM

“ Anita Montgomery lit a candle in memory of
Wendell Lee Emerson



anita montgomery - March 22, 2013 at 09:14 PM

RI

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Lee's passing. He was one of the very first people I met when I was hired on at Magnetek. He was always so kind. My thoughts and prayers are with all of the family, loved ones and friends at this difficult time.



Rima - March 22, 2013 at 03:46 PM

SU

“ Sue lit a candle in memory of Wendell Lee Emerson



Sue - March 22, 2013 at 03:27 PM

RM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Lee was great to work with (Magnetec) and taught me so much. He helped me also through the loss of my daughter. I will never forget him.



Renee Martin - March 22, 2013 at 03:18 PM

SE

So sorry for your loss, Linda,,,Don't know if you remember me, Gene Smiths Daughter...Lee was a wonderful person...worked with him at Magnetek and became very close to him...and always enjoyed your family at church...God will place him where he is needed...will never forget...

susan Smith Endres - March 22, 2013 at 03:57 PM

RM

“ Renee Martin lit a candle in memory of
Wendell Lee Emerson



Renee Martin - March 22, 2013 at 03:16 PM

BW

“ Brad & Kathy Welsh lit a candle in memory of
Wendell Lee Emerson



Brad & Kathy Welsh - March 22, 2013 at 03:02 PM

BS

“ Linda, I am so very sorry for your loss.
Betty Staddon



Betty Staddon - March 22, 2013 at 02:22 PM

LK

“ Our prayers and with you and your family.
Sorry for your loss.



Larry & Barb Klingler - March 22, 2013 at 02:05 PM

CJ

“ *My sympathy to you Linda, and your family.*

Cay Jordan - March 22, 2013 at 12:43 PM

ML

“ *Martha Langley lit a candle in memory of
Wendell Lee Emerson*



Martha Langley - March 22, 2013 at 12:43 PM

RR

“ *Ron & Vicki Robinson lit a candle in memory
of Wendell Lee Emerson*



Ron & Vicki Robinson - March 22, 2013 at 12:40 PM