



## R. L. Lawson

November 30, 1931 - July 28, 2014

Mr. R. L. Lawson, passed away Monday, July 28, 2014, at the age of 82 following a long illness. He was a life-long resident of Wynne and graduate of Wynne High School where he played on the 1950 state championship Wynne Yellowjacket football team. He was the founder of Lawson Insurance, where he was an agent for over 50 years. He was a charter member of Union Avenue Baptist Church which he loved and served as deacon, Sunday school teacher and superintendent, training union teacher and choir member.

He is survived by his wife Vonnie Fowler Lawson; two sons, Vance and Scott Lawson both of Wynne; two grandchildren, Robert and Sarah Lawson; and sister, Georgette Polk of Wynne.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lee and Evie Smith Lawson; brothers Odis "Rass", Oliver, Odell, Roy and Nathe "Buddy" Lawson; and his sister, Doris Neal.

Visitation will be Tuesday, 6 to 8 PM at Kernodle Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Wednesday, at 2 PM at Kernodle Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow in Harris Chapel Cemetery. The family requests that memorials be made to Union Avenue Baptist Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kernodle Funeral Home  
315-325 E. Union Avenue  
Wynne, AR 72396  
(870) 238-2323  
kernodlefuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.kernodlefh.com/>

## Funeral service

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Graveside

JUL **30** (CT)

Harris Chapel Cemetery  
Wynne, AR 72396

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ We have had the pleasure of knowing you as well as your son Vance. We are very sorry for your lose. May God make his face to shine upon you all. We are also thankful for Heavens gain. With our thoughts and Prayers  
Jerry & Jennifer Jackson and family



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**Jennifer Jackson** - September 15, 2014 at 09:28 PM

TG

“ I had not heard about the passing of R.L my prayers and sympathy are with the family.

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**tommy graff** - August 19, 2014 at 03:57 PM

JL

“ My condolences to RL's family. He was a great man when I went to Union Avenue. Prayers are with you.

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**jimmy livengood** - August 14, 2014 at 02:14 PM

AS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with RL's family and friends.  
Ann Sysel (daughter of Karel and Irene Sysel)

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**Ann Sysel** - August 03, 2014 at 01:24 PM

BI

“ We are very saddened by the news of the loss of your dad, Vance, and we have your family in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Betty Immel** - August 03, 2014 at 03:07 AM

AB

“ *Vance and Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Amos & Vicki*

Amos & Vicki Brawner - July 31, 2014 at 11:10 PM

BR

“ *Vonnie, Vance, and Scott and family,  
We were saddened to hear of Bro. RL's death, but also realizing that one day we will see him again. He was such a strong man of faith. The city of Wynne has lost one of her finest citizens. He was always willing to help in any way possible. We have so many fond memories of him. God bless you all during this time! Love in Christ, Bobby and Sandy Roberts Benton, AR (formerly of Wynne)*

Bobby & Sandy Roberts - July 31, 2014 at 08:59 PM

TH

“ *Terrie Harrison lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



Terrie Harrison - July 31, 2014 at 04:52 PM

CC

“ *Vance and Scott...I sure loved your Dad. He was so good to my Dad and me over the years. Such a wonderful Christian man. I pray God wrap His loving arms around you and your family and comfort you as only He can. Heaven has sure gained a special angel. Love and Hugs to you.*



Connie Shinn Caldwell - July 31, 2014 at 10:24 AM

SM

“ *Sandy Beshears Mashburn lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



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**Sandy Beshears Mashburn** - July 31, 2014 at 08:23 AM

MH

“ *Mike And Sandra Hall lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



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**Mike and Sandra Hall** - July 30, 2014 at 05:19 PM

MH

*Such a good, honest, Christian man~~ We love this family and he will be missed by the whole community! May God bless this family and wrap them in His loving hands!!*

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**Mike and Sandra Hall** - July 30, 2014 at 05:24 PM

GV

“ Vonnie, Vance and Scott:  
*My Heartfelt Condolences for your loss. I know Mr. Lawson was a wonderful husband and a great Dad. UABC has lost one of it's cornerstone members and our community of Wynne has lost a prominent citizen and to all of us who knew him we have all lost a good Friend. R. L. was an Inspiration to all who knew him. In the coming days the sadness that fills our Hearts will be overwhelming but the one thing we can count on knowing too is that somewhere in the future the Joy of seeing him again in Heaven will be even more overwhelming. Until that Glorious day may you find both Peace and Strenght in God's Love. Vance and Scott I know yall will take good care of your Mom.*



*The Service was Beautiful.*

*George H. Vance*

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**George H. Vance** - July 30, 2014 at 03:10 PM

JG

“ *Vance and Scott, you are your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Jeff Gregory** - July 30, 2014 at 01:21 PM

JB

“ *John Barber lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



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**John Barber** - July 30, 2014 at 11:51 AM

JF

“ Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

*John Cooper Family*

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**John Cooper Family** - July 30, 2014 at 10:13 AM

SH

“ Your family is in our thoughts and prayers

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**Sandy Holland** - July 30, 2014 at 09:20 AM

JC

“ It was a privilege for us to have known R.L. and to graduate from high school with him. He had the unique ability to lift your spirit in dark times. Our best and sympathy to all of his family.

*Jim and Norma Lloyd Caldwell*

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**Jim Caldwell** - July 30, 2014 at 08:32 AM

JM

“ Vance, Ken spoke so highly of your Dad. One of our greatest blessings is having a Godly father.



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**Jean McClanahan** - July 30, 2014 at 07:58 AM

JL

“ R. L. was a good honest, Christian man who will be greatly missed by so many people. It was a pleasure to know R. L.

*Jim Isbell*

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**Jim Isbell** - July 30, 2014 at 04:51 AM

RH

“ Vance we are so sorry for your loss RL was a very good person your friends RD and Phyllis Head

RD Head - July 29, 2014 at 06:54 PM

BM

“ A great man of God, who will be greatly missed at UABC! It has been a real blessing to have known him. Looking forward to seeing him again...UP YOUNDER!!!! Prayers and love to his family. Bobby & Hess McWhirter

Bobby McWhirter - July 29, 2014 at 05:34 PM

BN

“ A great man. a kind man, a gentle man and the best non-blood related Uncle I ever had.

Bob Naylor - July 29, 2014 at 04:39 PM

RG

“ My condolences, R. L. was a fine gentleman it will be heaven's gain. Sincerely, Ruth Garner



Ruth Garner - July 29, 2014 at 02:37 PM

AO

“ Ava O'Hollearn lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson



Ava O'Hollearn - July 29, 2014 at 01:54 PM

AO

“ *Death leaves a heartache difficult to heal;  
Love leaves sweet memories no one can steal.*

*Peace be with you.*

*Love,  
Ava O'Hollearn  
(Alice Ruth's daughter)*

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**Ava O'Hollearn** - July 29, 2014 at 01:53 PM

CJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with each of  
you. Our love to all. Carl and Beverly Johnson  
and family*



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**Carl and Beverly Johnson** - July 29, 2014 at 01:45 PM

AO

“ *Those we love remain with us,  
for love itself lives on.  
Cherished memories never fade,  
because a loved one is gone.  
Those we love can never be,  
more than a thought apart.  
For as long as there is a memory,  
they'll live on in our heart.*

*May God Bless and comfort you all.*

*Love you,  
Alice Ruth Lawson Lange*

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**Ava O'Hollearn** - July 29, 2014 at 01:38 PM

LL

“ *Linda Looney lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



Linda Looney - July 29, 2014 at 11:22 AM

LL

*A wonderful Godly man! Prayers for Vonnie, Vance and Scott that God would comfort your hearts during this time of loss.*

Linda Looney - July 29, 2014 at 11:25 AM

TP

“ *TERRI PHILLIPS lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



TERRI PHILLIPS - July 29, 2014 at 11:09 AM

MM

“ *Mary Fiser Michaelis lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



Mary Fiser Michaelis - July 29, 2014 at 10:05 AM

MB

“ *Marice Boardman lit a candle in memory of R. L. Lawson*



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**Marice Boardman** - July 29, 2014 at 09:21 AM

JF

*Vonnie, Doyle and I hold so many fond memories of you two. There were a group of you in the Church that took us young kids under your wing and always made sure we were OK. You helped with our wedding and our celebration party as we were sent out to begin our own journey. Even though we could not be there to help celebrate R. L you were in our thoughts and prayers.*  
*Doyle & Louise Frazier*

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**James Frazier** - August 06, 2014 at 02:52 PM