



Riley Paul Ellis

February 26, 1937 - January 30, 2022

Mr. Riley Paul Ellis, Sr. of Wynne, died Sunday, January 30, 2022, at his home.

Riley Paul was born in Wynne, Arkansas, on February 26, 1937, to the late Berger Rivers Ellis and Laurel Jewel Brown Ellis. On June 5, 1955, he married Barbara Ann Davis. They had five children, Paul, Donna, Robin, Lori and Merikay. He was a farmer, owned and operated a trucking company and a jack of all trades. At one time he was running 14 trucks, coast to coast. Later in life he loved that he was able to share his work with Paul. He enjoyed this time in his life. Riley Paul's work ethic was like none other. He wanted to get up every day to do something. He was a true intentional person in every aspect of his life. He made time for people. Never met a stranger, had a remarkable memory and always ready to take a picture or show you a picture from his phone.

He never missed a chance to tell people how wonderfully blessed he is, he loved sharing that. He always ended a phone call by sharing Bible scripture that he had read, a devotional, or reminding you how blessed you were in the things God had done in each life.

He is survived by his children, Riley Paul Ellis, Jr. and wife Dallas of Wynne, Donna Imboden and husband Pete of Wynne, Robin Ellis and husband Paul, of Astoria, NY, Lori Taggart and husband Alan of Augusta, Arkansas, and Merikay Campbell and husband Watty of Houston, Texas, a newfound friendship and love, "Ms." Esther Witcher, and Aunt Nina Spencer. He is also

survived by his grandchildren, Harrell Brawner, III, Pete Imboden V (Cara), Lyle Brawner, Beau Brawner, Ali Imboden (fiancé Randy Thomas), Kade Haygood, Hayden Campbell, Tori Haygood (fiancé Zach Coats), Meri Clinen Campbell, Riley Ellis and Parker Ellis, great grandchildren, Jayden Burton, Addlee Brawner, Ava Imboden, Monroe Cuble, Pete Imboden VI and Summer Imoden.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Berger and Laurel Ellis, wife, Barbara in 2016, brother, Ira Ellis and sister, Gloria Thomas.

Memorials may be made to Ellis Chapel Cemetery, 608 Hwy 193, Wynne, Arkansas or The Bridge Church, 209 Merriman Ave, Wynne, Arkansas.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at Kernodle Funeral Home from 1 to 2 PM with funeral services following at 2. Burial will be in Ellis Chapel Cemetery. Kernodle Funeral Home is in charge.

Cemetery Details

Ellis Chapel Cemetery

Ar-193 & Ar-284
Wynne, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 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

FEB 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Interment

FEB 2 (CT)

Ellis Chapel Cemetery
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Tribute Wall

GS

“ I wanted to share our family's condolences on Mr. Riley Paul's passing. He was always a friendly man who would take time to visit and make you feel special when you ran into him. Grace and peace to all of your family from the Spences.

Greg & Alisa Spence & Family

Greg Spence - February 05, 2022 at 09:13 PM

WW

“ So sorry for the loss of your loved one! Cherish your memories of him! Our prayers, thoughts, and love go out to all of the family!
Wanda and OD Walker

Wanda Walker - February 04, 2022 at 06:53 AM

RS

“ sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Riley Paul Ellis. Prayers for the family.

Rickey M stutts - February 03, 2022 at 11:33 AM

AF

“ Allen and the Sassy's Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.



Allen and the Sassy's Family - February 02, 2022 at 05:39 PM

YH

“ Your Family at Bay Area Heart purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.



Your Family at Bay Area Heart - February 02, 2022 at 12:47 PM

RD

“ Paul, Donna, Robin, Lori, & Merikay

I am so sorry for your loss. I can not possibly begin to tell you how much your family has meant to my family over the years. It was your Mom & Dad who were not just related family, but were the most faithful and loyal of friends. It was your Dad that picked my Dad up off the side of the road after Dad passed out on a morning walk and that began a long 5 year journey of my Dad never being quite the same again. But Riley Paul and Barbara were ALWAYS there for us.

And your Dad has always been there for me. We'd talk for an hour 2 to 3 times a year. I will miss the sound of his voice greatly. Your Dad's # is right below my Dad's # in my favorites list. It'll stay right there because it make me smile every time I see it.

Praying the presence, peace, and comfort of the Holy Spirit over your entire family as you celebrate the life and legacy of your Dad today.

*Rex, Lisa, & Eva Davis
Berlon & Hoopie Davis*

Rex Davis - February 02, 2022 at 11:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.



February 02, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray* was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.



February 02, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *My husband drove a truck with Mr. Ellis and oh what some stories he would tell. My husband had a lot of respect for Mr Ellis. He was a man of strong faith. I knew that from the stories he told. Mr. Ellis will be missed by many. Rest in the peace of God Mr. Ellis. Mr. and Mrs. Don Pearson Jr.*



Don Jr. and Brenda Pearson - February 02, 2022 at 12:02 AM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.



February 01, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 08:13 PM



“ *The Coats family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



The Coats family - February 01, 2022 at 04:38 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with y'all!!* 🙏💕
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Marice Boardman - February 01, 2022 at 01:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 12:10 PM

GW

“ *Gene Mary J. Warren lit a candle in memory of Riley Paul Ellis*



Gene Mary J. Warren - February 01, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 11:10 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



February 01, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



January 31, 2022 at 10:48 PM



“ *So Sorry for your loss, It was always good to see him and talk to, Stephen Owens*

Stephen C Owens - January 31, 2022 at 10:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Riley Paul Ellis.*



January 31, 2022 at 09:53 PM

TS

“ *My sympathies to all the family. You are blessed to have had such a wonderful man in your lives. Hang on to all the good memories. I'm happy that I've known him .He was always a pleasure to talk to. Thinking of you all.*
Sincerely, Todd Sisk

Todd Sisk - January 31, 2022 at 09:47 PM

SH

“ *Steve Hathcock lit a candle in memory of Riley Paul Ellis*



Steve Hathcock - January 31, 2022 at 06:37 PM

ML

“ *Long friendship with Riley Paul and Barbra they had wonderful children and I loved the all*

Mary lee - January 31, 2022 at 06:25 PM