



Leland E. Sayer

May 22, 1934 - December 13, 2018

Sayer, Mr. Leland E. (Lee)
East Tawas, Michigan

Leland Eugene Sayer was called home to his Lord and Savior on Thursday, December 13, 2018, while a resident at the Lakeview Manor in Tawas City, Michigan. Lee was born on May 22, 1934, in Shields, MI, to the late Frank and Dora (Crego) Sayer. He married Joann Elliott on August 28, 1954, and she predeceased him on May 17, 2008.

Lee started his retail grocery employment at Home Dairy in Saginaw, then joined Ray's Food Fair in Saginaw, which later became Giant, East Tawas, MI. He was the proud owner and operator of The Dollar Store, East Tawas, MI, from 1994 to 2008.

Surviving are his children, Debra (Richard) Beffrey; Gary (Julie) Sayer, and Craig Sayer; grandchildren, Lucas Sayer, Kevin Sayer, Lisa Walters, Sarah Cole, Caitlin Sayer, Courtney Sayer, Austin Sayer, Ryan Beffrey, and Trenton Beffrey; great-grandchildren, Lydia Beffrey, Simeon Beffrey, and Madison Lilly. Leland was also predeceased by his sibling, Florence (Sayer) Cummings and his granddaughter, Jennifer Beffrey.

Leland's funeral and committal service will be held 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 15, 2018, at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw. Leland's grandson, Rev. Ryan Beffrey will officiate. Friends are welcome to visit with the family on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of

his services. Leland will be laid to rest next to his wife in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Saginaw Historical Society or Valley Lutheran Growing Campaign. Memories and sympathies of Leland may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Eastlawn Memorial Gardens

7475 E. Holland Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48601

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
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Funeral and Committal Services

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leland E. Sayer*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Leland E. Sayer*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Lee and I met through Facebook, I've enjoyed getting to know Lee over the past several years. I posted a video of my cats once and Lee commented that he could hear the love for my cats in my voice. Lee found a place in my heart that day, not because it was a sweet and kind thing to say (which it was) but because he noticed little nuances like that about people - even in a 45 second video. I will miss Lee and our conversations. My condolences to his family and his friends.*

Debbie Millsap - January 20, 2019 at 04:28 AM



“ *Craig, my most sincere condolences due to the loss of your father. I too have lost both my parents and as time passes things do indeed get easier. Now their memories are comforting and they do pop into my head at various times, especially driving distances. I still get a tear or two in my eye as i think of them. I do know however they are no longer suffering with pain and helplessness. I always remember a Moms and Dads love are forever. yours in peace and friendship;
Tim Haskin*

Tim Haskin - January 07, 2019 at 06:52 PM

RW

“ To the family of Lee's, So sorry to hear of his passing. He was a good man. I worked with Lee for many years at Rays Food Fair. He also worked with my Brother who is also gone.

Russell and Nancy Wise Shawano Wi

Russell Wise - December 20, 2018 at 03:57 PM



“ We met on the internet. I was talking with friends from Saginaw and he said such nice things. I will surely miss him...God speed Lee!

Ruth English - December 17, 2018 at 06:43 AM

JS

“ I used to call on Lee when I was in sales. He was one of my favorite calls and always had time for me. He will be missed.
John Schwanbeck.

john Schwanbeck - December 14, 2018 at 06:51 PM

AW

“ In memory of both Lee and Joann, I want to express a thank you for their kindness to my children, some years back. When my three boys met their great aunt and uncle at a funeral, they had the pleasure of getting to know a very kind couple. A week or so later, my boys received a package of toys in the mail, filled with a few items from Lee and Joann's store. My son Shaun says that the package included a little train set, a Star Wars mug, and more. He still remembers that to this day. How very sweet!

Alisa Williams - December 14, 2018 at 12:51 PM

AE

“ I worked with Lee at Rays on Hess and Genesee. He was a very nice man and great boss. He will be missed and remembered by all. My condolences for his family.



Sincerely

*Ann (Rambow) Esckilsen
Dairy Mgr.*

AnnMarie Esckilsen - December 14, 2018 at 08:23 AM

GW

“ Gwen sent a virtual gift in memory of Leland E. Sayer



Gwen - December 14, 2018 at 05:49 AM

GW

Will be truly missed by so many people I will miss his stories

Gwen - December 14, 2018 at 05:50 AM

AW

“ We are so sad to hear of Lee's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.



Andy & Bev Watkins - December 14, 2018 at 12:29 AM

KG

“ I'm so sorry for your lost.
I've known Lee from when he was manager at Ray's.
I have missed his history posts.
He was a wonderful person.
RIP Lee

Kim Garner - December 13, 2018 at 09:30 PM

RB

“ Too many great memories to share. Great friend for over 50 years.
Better known for all the big fish stories..

Robert & Karen Behr - December 13, 2018 at 06:39 PM

DB

My deepest sympathy to all the family--how well I remember him and Joann. Saw him quite a bit when we moved to the Tawas area..

Doris Braman

Doris Braman - December 15, 2018 at 08:36 AM