



## Lester Carlyle Whitesell

March 1, 1935 - June 12, 2021

Lester "Les" Carlyle Whitesell, 86, of 121 Hillside Road, Hurt died Saturday, June 12, 2021 at UVA Hospital of Charlottesville. He was the husband of Beulah Marie Hogan Whitesell for 23 years.

He was born March 1, 1935 in Gladys, a son of the late Emmett Jeremiah Whitesell and Lillie Agnes Cash Whitesell. He was a member of Motley Baptist Church, a retired employee of Magna Tech/A.O. Smith Industries, and a U.S. Army National Guard Veteran.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Darryl D. Whitesell and his wife, Kristina of Gladys; one stepson, Gary Wayne Adams and his wife, Shelia of Evington; one sister, Irma Klein of Gladys; and four grandchildren, William Tyler, Caroline Elizabeth, Elias Kinder, and Abigail Grace Whitesell all of Gladys.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., June 17, 2021, at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by Pastor Mitch Etheridge and Rev. Shelton Miles with interment to follow in Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery with military honors by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

The family will receive friends beginning at 12:00 until 1:45 p.m., Thursday at Finch and Finch, Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at

the residence and Darryl Whitesell's residence, 41 Mosebrook Drive, Gladys, VA 24554.

# Cemetery Details

## Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery

7862 Brookneal HWY  
Gladys, VA 24554

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

## Funeral Service

JUN 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Webcast in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - June 17, 2021 at 08:31 AM

KB

“ *Beulah, Bennie and I are so sorry about Lester. I hadn't heard until today. Prayers for you and the family. Kim & Bennie Barker, Ridgeview Rd*

Kim Barker - June 19, 2021 at 04:24 PM



“ *39 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - June 17, 2021 at 10:19 AM

DS

“ *Dianne Sykes lit a candle in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Dianne Sykes** - June 17, 2021 at 10:18 AM

TP

“ *Beulah, Darryl & Family, Gary & Sheila, & Irma - Prayers to you all and I know your hearts are lonely and broken but I'm certain you all have nothing but precious memories to hold on to. Les was a wonderful man, genuine, always wore a smile, meek, mild, humble, kind, and caring. He always asked about everyone when he saw you out. He was a fine Christian man that loved God and family, in fact loved everyone. He always had something good and positive to say. He will be missed on this earth but heaven has gained another angel. Hold on to your memories, they will carry you through the lonely times ahead. Larry & Teresa Pugh*

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**Teresa Pugh** - June 17, 2021 at 09:05 AM

DM

“ *Dot Rorer Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Dot Rorer Mitchell** - June 16, 2021 at 07:24 AM

DF

“ *Never saw him anywhere without his smile.  
Prayers for you all.*



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**Dianne Fifer** - June 15, 2021 at 10:10 PM

LD

“ *Linda Dalton lit a candle in memory of Lester  
Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Linda Dalton** - June 15, 2021 at 08:27 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the  
family of Lester Carlyle Whitesell .*



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June 15, 2021 at 10:04 AM

JT

“ *Worked with Les for years at AO Smith. Such  
a good man. Prayers for his family during this  
difficult time.*



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**Janet Thurman** - June 15, 2021 at 07:24 AM

MB

“ *Michael Hall & Family, Chad Brooks & Family, B&H purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Lester Carlyle Whitesell .*



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**Michael Hall & Family, Chad Brooks & Family, B&H** - June 14, 2021 at 10:44 PM

SO

“ *SANDRA OSBORNE lit a candle in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**SANDRA OSBORNE** - June 14, 2021 at 09:06 PM

RJ

“ *Ronald And Linda Johnston sent a virtual gift in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Ronald and Linda Johnston** - June 14, 2021 at 08:27 PM

VC

“ *Thoughts and Prayers to the Whitesell family. Les and I worked together at A.O. Smith.*



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**Vicky Creasy** - June 14, 2021 at 05:27 PM

LC

“ *Lynn Crouch lit a candle in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Lynn Crouch** - June 14, 2021 at 05:25 PM

JM

“ *Jimmy Marr lit a candle in memory of Lester Carlyle Whitesell*



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**Jimmy marr** - June 14, 2021 at 04:13 PM