



Mr. Leslie B. Dawes

May 3, 1973 - August 24, 2021

Leslie B. Dawes, 48, of Almyra passed away August 24, 2021. He was born May 3, 1973, in Stuttgart to Jerry and Shelby Campbell Dawes.

He was a member of Big LaGrue Missionary Baptist Church. Leslie loved to play the piano and garden. He could make almost anything grow!

Leslie was preceded in death by an infant son, Benjamin Dawes, and his father-in-law, Benny Gonzales.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Jody Gonzales Dawes; three children Nicholas, Matthew, and Katie Dawes; his parents Jerry and Shelby Dawes; brother Randy Dawes all of Almyra; sister Sheila Smith of Clarendon; his mother-in-law Linda Gonzales; and a host of other family and friends.

Leslie loved the Lord, and his family is comforted knowing that he is in heaven.

Funeral services will be 2:00 Friday, August 27 at Essex Funeral Home with burial in Gillett Cemetery by Essex Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Leslie and Benjamin Dawes Band Fund, c/o Southern Bancorp, P.O. Box 511, DeWitt, AR 7204.

Cemetery Details

Gillett Cemetery

Gillett, AR 72055

Previous Events

Service

AUG 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home
1405 South Grandview
DeWitt, AR 72042
(870) 946-3104
<https://www.essexfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

GH

“ *Leslie was the nicest person. He loved playing to piano an singing. Prayers of peace and comfort for his family.* ”



Gaye Hopkins - October 28, 2021 at 10:44 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Leslie B. Dawes.* ”



August 26, 2021 at 10:27 PM

DK

“ *Thoughts and Prayers for Leslie's Family. He was a talented and fun guy. I enjoyed our conversations and his positive post on FB.* ”



Donna Kerns - August 26, 2021 at 05:41 PM

KS

“ I loved Leslie. I could listen to him play the piano for hours. We spent many shopping days together! Me and him always ready for a day shopping! I did not have a green thumb at all, he helped me with those plants! He would say, Karen, you have to water them. Lol. We shared lots of laughs. He will be missed. Shelby and Jerry, I can't imagine your pain, we should never have to bury our children. Randy and Shelia, the loss of a sibling is so very painful as well. Jody, my heart goes out to you and the kids. I know you all find comfort of seeing him in heaven, however the pain is real and here. Prayers, love, and hugs from me..Karen Stokes Sandine

Karen Sandine - August 26, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. Leslie B. Dawes.



August 26, 2021 at 10:45 AM

BW

“ He was the sweeties person ,I've known him for many years, Lord know he will be missed .may god give the family peace ,an look to the hill which our help cones from the our mighty god.



Bertha woods - August 26, 2021 at 10:08 AM

JD

“ Johnny Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie B. Dawes



Johnny Sue Davis - August 26, 2021 at 09:31 AM

JD

Sweetest person, God got him a good one. Praying for y'all.

Johnny Sue Davis - August 26, 2021 at 09:32 AM

JC

“ So sorry to hear of Leslie's passing. He poured the concrete for the daycare sidewalks a few weeks ago. I enjoyed visiting with him. He was so proud of his family. I too have enjoyed the video on fb of Leslie playing the piano. He is healed in Heaven Praising Jesus!

Jeanie Reidhar Cade - August 26, 2021 at 08:18 AM

EL

“ My sympathy and prayers are with this sweet guy's family!! I love his piano post on FB!!!



Ester Poston Hageman, LPN - August 26, 2021 at 12:52 AM

SP

“ *Stacy Price lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Leslie B. Dawes*



Stacy Price - August 25, 2021 at 09:43 PM