



Ernest Leroy Murphy

April 1, 1953 - January 4, 2023

We are sad to announce the death of Ernest Leroy Murphy III on January 4, 2023 at the age of 69. Leroy was born on April 1, 1953 in Dearborn, Michigan. He served in the United States Marine Corp. Leroy came to Oregon May 18th 1977. He met his sweetheart, Rosetta Horner, who lived next door to his first home. They married on December 15, 1979. In December 2022 they celebrated 43 years of marriage. He lovingly called her "Rosie". On December 25, 1984 they were blessed by the Lord with the birth of their son Ryan Joseph Murphy. Despite growing up in unfortunate circumstances, Leroy and Rosetta were determined to raise their only son in a loving home. That's when Leroy and Rosetta became an active part of The United Pentecostal Church, now known as Apostolic Life Center, for over 30 years.

Leroy received an associate degree at Linn-Benton Community College in Metallurgy. He started Ernie's Appliance Repair in 1987 where he put his talents for fixing things to work. He later worked at Hewlett-Packard, ATS, DW Fritz and MEI. His most recent position was at Andrews/Cooper in Corvallis as an Electrical Assembly Technician. At all of his jobs he used his talent for detailed work on many different machines used around the world. Many of his coworkers knew him as "Ernie". He was well known in the automation industry and was called upon for his experience in the field by electrical engineers. He held a special friendship with one of those engineers named Fidel Delgado.

He was always willing to help friends and family whenever they ask, no matter what he had going on. He always had a tool or a crafty way to get the job done. He had a love for small tractors and lawn mowers and loved to tinker with small engines. Leroy enjoyed welding and working on many projects around his home. He loved his dog, Fruit Loop and his two adopted stray cats, Abraham & Abigail.

Leroy was so proud of his new daughter with the marriage of his son to Jacqueline Cleveland in 2014. Becoming a grandpa became his whole world with his three little granddaughters, Betty Rose (4), Poppy Quinn (3) and Daisy Jo (1) and they had him wrapped around their little fingers. They enjoyed riding the lawn mower with him, taking walks and always begged to ride home with Grandma and Grandpa. Leroy was always ready to repair a damaged toy or give hugs and cuddles. He was excited about the future addition to the family with a grandson coming in June 2023.

Leroy is survived by his wife, Rosetta, his son Ryan Murphy and daughter in law, Jacqui, his granddaughters, Betty Rose, Poppy Quinn and Daisy Jo. He was also survived by Deone Yurchenko, Peggy Stewart, Michael Murphy, David Murphy, Lori Murphy, Robin Murphy, Kathy Cote, Michele Laurel Krumm.

Predeceased by his siblings, Patricia Talentino, Joseph Murphy and Susan Holland.

Viewing will be on Thursday, January 12, 2023 from 4pm - 5pm at McHenry Funeral Home, 206 NW 5th St, Corvallis, OR 97330.

A Special Service to honor Leroy will be on Friday, January 13, 2023 at 4pm, Apostolic Life Center 230 SE Pine St, Albany, Oregon 97321.

Go Fund Me is available at <https://gofund.me/50dc6df4>

The family would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of support, love

and prayers during this time.

Please share your thoughts and memories for the family at www.mchenryfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 12. 4:00 PM (PT)

McHenry Funeral Home
206 NW 5th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 757-8141

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 4:00 PM (PT)

Apostolic Life Center
230 SE Pine Street
Albany, OR 97321

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mary Kay sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Leroy Murphy*



Mary Kay - January 12, 2023 at 10:33 AM

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“ *Calisa Pearson lit a candle in memory of Ernest Leroy Murphy*



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“ *Robert & Marilyn Tobey lit a candle in memory of Ernest Leroy Murphy*



Robert & Marilyn Tobey - January 10, 2023 at 08:05 AM



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McHenry Funeral Home - January 09, 2023 at 01:22 PM

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*I am so stunned by loosing you bro, I still hear your sure, wise
peacefull voice speaking to me
As only you could,I love and miss you already, you are and always
been my rock and protector and for that I am so thankful*

Peggy Stewart - January 10, 2023 at 11:13 AM