

Elbert Lawrence Lilly, 60, of Crab Orchard died Friday, June 7, 1996, in a Beckley hospital following a short illness.

Born Jan. 22, 1936, at Nimitz, he was the son of the late Robert V. Lilly and Amma Faye Cox Lilly.



Lilly

Mr. Lilly was owner of Lilly's Garage and Hobby Shop, Crab Orchard, was previously employed as parts manager at Dearing Brothers of Prosperity, was a former

employee of Lucas Tire and was a member of Hilltop Baptist Church at Crab Orchard. He enjoyed hunting and fishing in his spare time.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Una Hedrick and Gaye Decker; and a brother, Odley Lilly.

Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Dorothy Yancey Lilly; two sons, Ricky Lilly and his wife, Crystal, of Crab Orchard and Thomas Lilly and his wife, Christy, of Cool Ridge; a daughter, Carol Lilly of Crab Orchard; five sisters, Arlene Hunt of Crab Orchard, Mary Broughman of Nitro, Jean West of Beckley, Janice

Lindsay of Aiken, S.C., and Dixie Miller of Seattle, Wash.; a brother, Robert Lilly of Crab Orchard; six grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren.

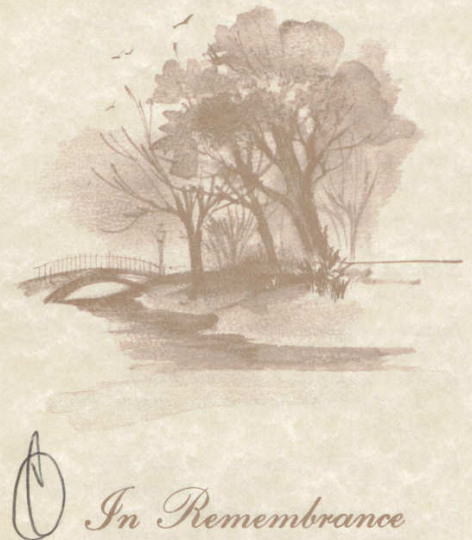
Services will be 11 a.m. Monday at Melton Mortuary Chapel with Rev. David Mays officiating. Burial will follow in Crews Cemetery, Nimitz.

Friends may call 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Family members and friends will serve as pallbearers.

Donations of sympathy may be made to Hilltop Baptist Church.

Arrangements by Melton Mortuary, Beckley.



 *In Remembrance*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free;
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard him call;
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found that place at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Ah yes, these things, I too, will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much;
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me;
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

In Memory Of Elbert Lawrence Lilly

Born
January 22, 1936
Nimitz, West Virginia

Died
June 7, 1996
Beckley, West Virginia

Funeral Service
Melton Mortuary Chapel
1200 Harper Road
Beckley, West Virginia
11:00 AM Monday June 10, 1996

Presiding
Rev. David Mays

Interment
Crews Cemetery
Nimitz, West Virginia
Monday June 10, 1996

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