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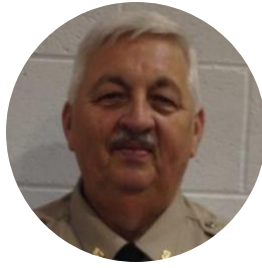
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Larry Lynn Emery, 70, died peacefully at home December 17, 2018 after battling a long illness. He was born January 9, 1948 in Knoxville, TN. Larry graduated from South High School in Knoxville before moving to Atlanta, GA and later settling down in Memphis, TN. While the love of his life Joyce and he waited to marry until March of 2000, their life together began over a decade before that time. He instantly became a devoted father to both of her children and somehow survived through their teenage years; he then later served as a loving Papa to his grandkids. Larry began his law enforcement career in 1975 with the Memphis Police Department and later joined the Shelby County Sheriff's Office in 1997, retiring in 2018. When not working, which was not often, Larry enjoyed watching sports, especially UT football, playing golf, or heading to the casinos. He served as a basketball coach in his earlier years and refereed as well, including several years at the Bluff City Classic. A gentle giant, Larry lived and loved large; he will be remembered by the jokes he cracked, the smiles he created, and the love he showed to all. His father Archie Emery preceded his death. Larry is survived by his mother Pauline Emery, Bartlett, TN; wife Joyce Emery, Arlington, TN; brother Rick Emery (Darlene), Collierville, TN; sister Janelle Smith (Derwood), Pine Bluff, AR; sister Dixie Chambers (Brian), Bartlett, TN; daughter Kim Douglas (David), Germantown, TN; son Brad Turner (Jill), Germantown, TN; and six grandchildren. Visitation will be held at Memorial Park Funeral Home in Memphis on Friday, December 21 from 6-8 PM. Funeral services will be held at the same location on Saturday, December 22 at 11 AM. The family requests memorials to be sent to Merge Memphis, Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation, or Companions for Heroes. Arrangements have been entrusted to Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave., Memphis, TN 38119 (901) 767-8930. "Celebrating Life... Behind the Stone Wall".



Tribute Wall

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LR

Lt. John T. Dwyer (Mpd-Ret.) posted:

I just now found out about Larry's passing, and I am sorry we lost contact over the years. I first met him when he became a dispatcher for MPD years ago. Larry was very attentive and actually displayed great care when asking an officer to make a call. He would take the time to verify every bit of information, to insure no officer walked into a bad surprise. When an officer stopped a vehicle, or would check a subject on the street, Larry would run a check on the individual to insure that the officer was not standing there unaware, with a dangerous party. He also would voluntarily have another car meet you if you did make a traffic stop, "just to be on the safe side", as he put it. There are many great happy stories I could relate about Larry, and even some very sad ones. Even so, I can relate nothing but how dedicated he was to being a team player. He was a professional in every sense of the word, and a very good friend. I am deeply saddened at his passing. He was one of the greats I personally remember. A colleague, a friend, and most of all a tremendous, and wonderful human being. A lot of us guys in the field went home to our families safe after our shift, and I can say mainly it was because of Larry's behind the scenes efforts. As long as I live, I will never forget him and be grateful, neither should a lot of other officers. Rest in peace old friend.

January 10 at 4:10 AM

DR

Don Richter posted:

So sorry to hear of Larry's passing. I have known Janelle for so long that I know what he went through, and almost feel like I knew him personally through her. My sincerest condolences to the family, and may God be with you all during this time of grief.

December 24 at 8:14 AM

SM

Shelly Moore posted:

Joyce & family, Please accept my deepest sympathy. May your beautiful memories bring you peace and comfort. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

December 21 at 1:54 PM

HS

H.R.Stabe posted:

Deepest condolences and prayers for the family. Larry and I worked at the Sheriff's Office.

December 19 at 7:41 PM



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Rita & Jim Jackson posted:

Jim and I are very sadden to hear of the passing of Larry. We did not know him very well, but he always had a wonderful smile and laugh. Joyce we are here for you and your family – you know that all you have to do is call. We love you!

December 18 at 11:25 AM



Vernon posted:

So very sorry for your loss. John 5:28,29

December 18 at 5:04 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Larry by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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