



## Leonard "Lennie" Baker

January 4, 1942 - November 6, 2017

Mr. Leonard E. "Lennie" Baker, resident of Dewey, died on Monday, November 6, 2017, in Bartlesville.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, November 10, 2017, at the Tuxedo Baptist Temple Church in Bartlesville. Interment will be in the Dewey Cemetery under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

A Memorial Service will also be held on a later date.

Leonard, or "Lennie" as most people knew him, was born on January 4, 1942 in Atkins, Arkansas to Johnnie and Berdie (Smith) Baker. He was a self-taught and very accomplished musician, playing many instruments, opening for world famous talent, and even recording an album of his own compositions. More than anything, Lennie was a family man. Family was his everything.

Lennie graduated from high school in Lenapah, Oklahoma and joined the Air Force soon after. He was married to Charlotte K. Baker in Dewey, OK. in September of 1970. Charlotte preceded him in death in March of 1997. He was later married to Robbie M. (Ford) on May 2, 2008 in Hawaii. Lennie started his first band while he was in the Air Force. He later joined Ronnie and the Miracles after returning from the service. He also played in a band called the Gigsters, who opened for the Temptations and Tanya Tucker. Lennie wrote and recorded his first album in 1998, entitled "Wanted". The album was dedicated to his girlfriend at the time who is currently his wife, Robbie. Lennie

played a lot of music, but people especially loved hearing him play “Purple Rain”, “Mustang Sally”, “Sitting on the Dock of the Bay”, and “I Finally Made It”, a song he wrote for his album “Wanted”

Lennie is survived by his wife Robbie Baker of the home in Dewey, his two sons Leonard Baker Jr. and wife Sarah of Edmond, OK and Dustin Beisley and wife Marsha; his daughters, Veronica Williams of Pensacola, Florida, Shanae Stroud and husband Chris of Bartlesville, and Lacy Beisley of the home; twelve grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. He was also survived by brothers Lloyd Baker and wife Penny of Seattle, WA and his sisters Christine Baker, Geraldine Wilson, Cali Baker, Jewel Baker, and Elma Downing. In addition to his wife Charlotte; he was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Dolly Baker, Hati Baker, Ruth Banner, Augusta Baker and Claudia Baker; and his nieces and nephews Beverly Knox, James Bonnerman, Michael Baker, and Dewayne Knox. Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at [www.stumpff.org](http://www.stumpff.org).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **9**. 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory  
1600 SE Washington Blvd.  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-4300  
info@stumpff.org  
<https://www.stumpff.org>

## Funeral Service

NOV **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Bartlesville Baptist Temple  
3333 E. Tuxedo Blvd.  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Tribute Wall



“ hey it me pops i missing u

tarell - March 23 at 09:57 AM



“ He seems chill, I kinda miss the guy. 🌹🌹

Camden - February 27 at 11:58 AM



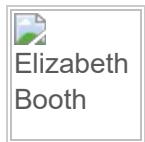
“ Leonard "Lennie" Baker

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Leonard "Lennie" Baker

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ happy mood as i listen to your songs,  
Elizabeth



Elizabeth Booth - November 18, 2017 at 07:09 PM

RC

“ Roberto & Dana Ceconi purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Leonard "Lennie" Baker.



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**Roberto & Dana Ceconi** - November 13, 2017 at 05:58 PM

KL

“ Beautiful crooner, talented man, better human being. Condolences to the family from a former neighbor of Leonard's on Pine Street in Dewey & a co-worker from a long time ago. Rest in peace, brother! Heaven is a better place by far; this is our faith!

*Kevin Livesay, Friendswood, TX*

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**Kevin Livesay** - November 13, 2017 at 01:05 PM

DB

“ You will be greatly missed but never, never forgotten Leonard E. Baker, our Uncle Buster. Always your "Yogi" and niece, Denise Bannerman.



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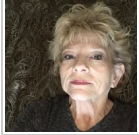
**Denise Bannerman** - November 12, 2017 at 10:36 AM

DT

“ Met Lennie a few times and shared some music...he will be missed, but not forgotten, blues men never die...

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**David Taylor** - November 10, 2017 at 06:25 PM



“ I so loved listening to Lennie - he will leave a huge hole in music.

Sharon Wilson - November 10, 2017 at 05:49 PM

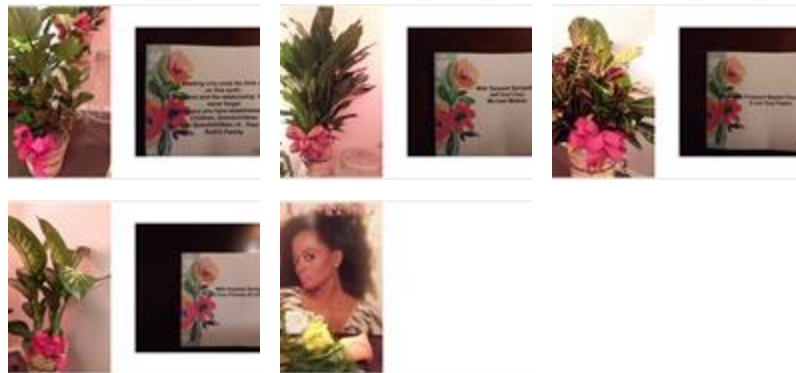


“ My condolence to the Baker family, From your Arkansas Family. Byron, Meko, Trace, Kyron and Judy Wilson Much Love And Prayers. Uncle Buster will be missed.

judy wilson - November 10, 2017 at 04:02 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Flowers

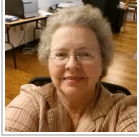


Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - November 10, 2017 at 02:23 PM



“ My love and thanks to my beloved uncle Buster for the lasting memories & lessons I'll carry forever.  
daughter of Ruth BANNERMAN  
sister of James BANNERMAN  
your niece Claudette Bannerman

Claudette Bannerman - November 10, 2017 at 12:52 PM



“ Leonard, nothing shocked me more than to hear of your death. I have been your neighbor for many years and have seen you many many times leave your home, walk to your van dressed so nice with your hat on and that cigar..if I were on my porch I would always get a wave and a tip of your hat to say hello. I will miss you Leonard Baker, your wave and your music. My daughter, Stacy and I send our sympathies to Robbie, Lacy and Leonard's family

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**Sally Bishop** - November 10, 2017 at 11:45 AM

DB

“ Don And Rosy Beck lit a candle in memory of Leonard "Lennie" Baker



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**Don and Rosy Beck** - November 09, 2017 at 11:21 PM

HL

“ Known you for many years, watched you play many times, always a smile on your face. I know many will agree that we've lost a true musical legend here in Bartlesville and most of all a true friend. Prayers to his many many friends, family, fellow musicians and especially his wife Robbie.  
Harry & Becky Lawson

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**Harry Lawson** - November 09, 2017 at 10:28 PM

KN

“ Leonard you are one of a kind and you will live on in our hearts forever. Bartlesville won't be the same without our beloved Lennie Baker! What a kind gentle soul, you set the bar high for the rest of us! Have a great time in heaven playing your music!!  
Love you and your beautiful family 🙏 Karen

Karen Nunneley - November 09, 2017 at 07:13 PM

JH

“ Janice Holland lit a candle in memory of Leonard "Lennie" Baker



Janice Holland - November 09, 2017 at 06:14 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Leonard "Lennie" Baker.



November 09, 2017 at 06:12 PM

KW

“ *To the Baker Family and Alma,*

*So many childhood memories of Leonard from Lenapah School. Remembering him coming into music class & Mrs. Richardson would let him play the piano & sing & yes I remember he had no lessons he just knew how to do it. He also graduated with my sister course back in those 60's we called him Bake!!! I hadn't seen him in years until working at Phillips & walking up to him & giving him a hint who I might be & he guessed it as Shirley's little sister & Alma's friend that always picked her up to catch the bus to play basketball games. He was a good entertainer I am sure he will be missed by a lot of us.*

*My sympathy and condolences to all of you.*

*Kay (Gerler) & Ronnie White*

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**Kay White** - November 09, 2017 at 06:10 PM

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“ *SHARON SHELTON lit a candle in memory of Leonard "Lennie" Baker*



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**SHARON SHELTON** - November 09, 2017 at 06:07 PM

SS

*Prayers for your Family.*

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**SHARON SHELTON** - November 09, 2017 at 06:08 PM

SB

*wonderful guy, miss the guy bunches*

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**sarah baker** - April 20 at 03:54 PM