



## Lester Jerome Waters

October 16, 1957 - June 1, 2024

Lester Jerome Waters, son of the late Leon J. Waters and the late Ruby (Williams) Waters, was born Wednesday, October 16, 1957, in Harrisburg, PA.

Les graduated from Central Dauphin East High School and attended Shippensburg University. During his high school years, Les excelled on the football field and on the basketball court and later coached football at the high school. Les was a member of the team inducted into the CD East High School Hall of Famers in September, 2023. He was instrumental in initiating a reunion for the group. While at Shippensburg University, Les met many amazing friends on and off the football field sharing lasting relationships to this day. He retired from the United States Postal Service and was a dependable and faithful staff member at Wallace Funeral Directors, Inc., where he was loved and well-respected. Les enjoyed the fellowship and activities of being a member of American Legion, Post 733. His demeanor was that of a gentle-giant always kind and supportive.

On Saturday, June 1, 2024, Les unexpectedly transitioned from this life into eternal life at sixty-six years of age joining his parents and his brother, Leon Moore.

Although his departure leaves saddened hearts, his spirit will continue to shine brightly in the lives of his sister, Lisa Waters Harris (Jerrie); his aunts

and uncles, Sylvia Ross, Eartha Matthews, Willie Williams (Janice), George Williams (Jean), Carrie Patterson (John), Tim Greene (Janette) and Allen Greene (Bobbi); his nieces, Lanay Woods (Justin), Jaylenne Moore, Leonitia Moore, Charlese Shirk, Ciara Shirk, Kakeeya Moore, Zalika Moore; great-niece, Ruby Harris; nephew, Greg Harris (Eliza Baker); great-nephews, Lennox Woods and Deandre Jackson; along with his furry friend Charley, other family members, friends, his Wallace Funeral Directors Family and the Harrisburg Community.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR NAME.

# Cemetery Details

## William Howard Day Cemetery

Lincoln and Carlisle Streets  
Steelton, PA 17113

# Previous Events

## Flower Delivery

JUN 12. 8:30 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Steelton  
1850 S. 19th Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17104

## Viewing

JUN 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Steelton  
1850 S. 19th Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17104

## Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Steelton  
1850 S. 19th Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17104



# Tribute Wall



“ Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Lester Jerome Waters



Wallace Funeral Directors - June 12, 2024 at 11:19 AM

RB

“ Les was a Beautiful person who will be missed dearly may God Bless his family, rest high my friend ❤️❤️❤️

Robin B. - September 11, 2024 at 05:54 PM

LW

“ Lester and I played football at cd east. Also on track team together. Loved seeing his face at the post office. Rip. Kind gentle big guy. 😭

Leroy Wade - September 06, 2024 at 06:50 AM

LW

“ Gonna miss you buddy. Loved seeing your face at the post office. 🙏 rip.

Leroy Wade - September 06, 2024 at 06:44 AM

RG

“ RIP My Good Brother.



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**Ray G.** - July 07, 2024 at 12:30 PM

LS

“ My condolences to the Waters Family and Friends. Keeping everyone in my prayers.



*Rest In Heavenly Peace Les.*

*Laurie McKinney-Stroble and Family*

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**Laurie Stroble** - June 19, 2024 at 03:02 PM

KF

“ Lester I will miss you 😞. Say hello to my Dad I know he will be waiting for you at the Heavenly Gates. I love you and Rest in Heavenly Peace. (RIHP) Love Karla

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**Karla Freeman** - June 12, 2024 at 09:07 AM

SP

“ Less I will miss you my friend , you were always there when I needed to renew SAL MEMBERSHIPS.. We had a lot of good time sitting around in the Legion socializing and laughing. You are going to be truly missed 🙏.

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**Sonnetta Perdue** - June 12, 2024 at 06:24 AM

HE

“ I met Les as A teenager. But for the last 30+ years, we were neighbors. He always had a kind word, we'd talk about the neighborhood as he walked Charlie. He always had jokes but also keep me up on the HOA. I will miss him and miss knowing he was looking out for the block. Rest in Power Lester! 🕊️🙏❤️👍



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**Helen and Zaid Elliott** - June 12, 2024 at 12:41 AM

KL

“ Kiera and Gito LaForest purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lester Jerome Waters.



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**Kiera and Gito LaForest** - June 11, 2024 at 05:06 PM

GI

“ *In loving memory of Lester Waters, a beloved family man and dear friend:*

*With heavy hearts and tearful eyes,  
We bid farewell to a man so wise.  
Lester Waters, a soul so kind,  
Leaving cherished memories behind.*

*His presence brought joy like no other.  
With open arms and a warm embrace,  
He made our lives a better place.*

*His laughter echoed through the years,  
Dispelling sorrows and calming fears.  
A friend to all, he lent a helping hand,  
In times of need, he'd understand.*

*His love and guidance knew no bounds,  
A pillar of strength, always around.  
With words of wisdom and a gentle smile,  
He made each moment worthwhile.*

*In the hearts of family and friends,  
His spirit lives on, it never ends.  
Though we mourn the loss we bear,  
His love and legacy, forever we share.*

*So let us remember Lester Waters with grace,  
A man of character, in every embrace.  
In our memories, he'll forever stay,  
A cherished presence, lighting our way.*

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**George Lee Williams III** - June 11, 2024 at 05:02 PM

DB

“ I will miss you cousin and I Love You. Della Hitchcock



Denise Bryant - June 11, 2024 at 04:50 PM

DB

“ Condolences to the family of Les Waters R.I.P  
Les a wonderful man that will be missed.  
Vernon & Denise Bryant



Denise Bryant - June 11, 2024 at 04:42 PM

MU

“ God Bless Lisa, Family and Friends, Les was truly a Great Ambassador for the Harrisburg community , sharing 😊☐😭 with Everyone. Thanks for being a great role model in the 70's. Thanks for your Dedicated service with Wallace Funeral Directors. Love you My Brother 🙏

Mula - June 11, 2024 at 04:33 PM

MR

“ To the Family of Les Waters,  
Rob and I want to express our deepest sympathies for the loss of such a wonderful person. We met Les after we moved next door to him on Wyeth Street way back in 1996. He was nice and easy going. We had lots of funny conversations with him over the years. Even after we moved, whenever we came back to Wyeth Street, he still spoke to us like we never left the neighborhood. We are in shock by his passing as we will miss him and his smile. Cherish all the memories of Les, and he will never be forgotten.



*Rob & Michelle Royster*

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**Michelle Royster** - June 11, 2024 at 03:56 PM

PR

“ My condolences to the family of Les. My prayers are with y'all I will miss him very much he was a very nice person RIP my friend 😊

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**Pat Roebuck** - June 11, 2024 at 03:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lester Jerome Waters.



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June 11, 2024 at 01:13 PM

LJ

“ Love Bill and Paula Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lester Jerome Waters.

Love Bill and Paula Johnson - June 11, 2024 at 01:13 PM

MA

“ MARKETPLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lester Jerome Waters.



MARKETPLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION - June 11, 2024 at 08:59 AM

VB

“ No matter what Lester always made time for when I would come home. So many wonderful memories of the time we spent talking, laughing and just hanging out. Lester will forever live in my heart and memories. ❤️

Virginia Bridgewater - June 11, 2024 at 07:56 AM

VA

I met Lester in school and right away I considered him a friend. Lester was an awesome human-being, uncle, brother, cousin, friend and a great dance partner. We all would grab at the chance to dance with him at the high school parties!

Over the years and since as far back as when he first moved on Wyeth Street, we have faithfully sent each other Christmas cards and that is one of the many things I'm going to miss about him! He was just a warm and caring person. When you were around him, he exuded love! I, among many, will sorely miss him! Lisa and family, you are definitely in my prayers! Valerie Tabb Avila

Valerie Marie Tabb Avila - June 11, 2024 at 09:41 AM



VB

“ Valerie B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lester Jerome Waters.

Valerie B. - June 10, 2024 at 02:38 PM

TH

“ Les very good brother who will be missed always had a smile on his face. Sorry to see him go was a joy working with him on fund raiser and other things for Legion Post 733 it's not going to be the same without him. Rest in peace was a pleasure work with you on SAL finances.

Timothy Hume - June 10, 2024 at 12:14 PM

TW

“ Toni Williams purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Lester Jerome Waters.



Toni Williams - June 10, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ I was so sad to hear of Les's passing even though I really haven't seen him since high school. I love how everyone described him as a general giant for surely he was. I cheered for him through high school And although we rarely spoke, I definitely considered him a friend. I'm so thankful to Jesus who provided a way for us to know for sure that by faith in Him we can be together with Him and each other in heaven. Can't wait to see you there Les!

Brenda Hollenbach - June 10, 2024 at 07:49 AM



*"Gentle" giant!*

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**Brenda Hollenbach** - June 10, 2024 at 07:50 AM

GK

*Sympathy to hear of Les passing . We had work together at the United States Post Office for years . He had a good sense of humor . Pray to God to comfort family n friends because we all need it. God cares and love us all. Deepest Sympathy from Gloria Kessler*

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**Gloria Kessler** - June 10, 2024 at 08:01 PM

LA

“ *Lester , thank you for being so kind to my son. You were a great coach.*

*I'm going to miss your smile. Rest In peace.  
My condolence to the family.*

*Linda Alexander*

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**Linda Alexander** - June 10, 2024 at 05:04 AM



BW

“ *I met Les at Shippensburg State College. We hit it off immediately. Lester was the best friend a girl could ever have. He always called to check on me throughout my tragic grief filled journey. I will truly miss him. My condolences to you all at this time.*

*Butter*

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**Butter Williams** - June 10, 2024 at 04:51 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lester Jerome Waters.*



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June 10, 2024 at 12:09 AM



“ *My Sincere condolences to the family and friends of Les Waters. He will truly be missed. Continued Blessings to the family.*



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**Michelle Walker** - June 09, 2024 at 10:12 PM



“ *I met Les through my brother Ron and Derrick when they were teens. He was a gentle giant and had the best smile. When I found out last Saturday that he had passed, I was saddened. To know Les, was to love him. I would always see him at the Federal Building on his job when I worked downtown. We would exchange conversations. Such a blessing to know Les. Lisa and the entire Waters family, you have my deepest sympathy and are in my prayers. Joyce Culpepper*



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**Joyce Culpepper** - June 09, 2024 at 08:05 PM

LJ

“ Deepest Condolences to the Family. Les was a very good friend and we will miss him. Rest easy Friend 📌



Larry and Ann Jones - June 09, 2024 at 12:06 PM

AW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



AI Wilkerson - June 09, 2024 at 09:13 AM

AW

Lester my brother I thank God for the friendship and brotherhood, man this is a hard one to digest. Gone but never forgotten RIP my brother

AI Wilkerson - June 09, 2024 at 09:19 AM

SW

“ Cousin Les, we're going to miss you dearly. It was never just a "hey cuz" when we saw each other. You made sure to share a hug along with asking how's the family. Continue to get your rest. Until we meet again ❤️🙏  
Love always ~ Shamar, Terri and the entire Waters family

Shamar Waters-Plummer - June 09, 2024 at 08:10 AM

CI

“ CUZ YOU WERE A GREAT ATHLETE AND A GREAT PERSON  
WE WILL DEFINITELY MISS YOU BRO. REST EASY IN HEAVEN

CLYDE ANDERSONS III - June 08, 2024 at 10:45 PM

CM

“ I can say for sure, and since I have known Lester  
For 50 years! That's a Fact, He is a good and real  
Man! I'm convinced God called Lestet too work for  
are Salvation, and Glory, God Bless Lester Waters!  
MY CONDOLENCES too his family!  
Charlie Murphy!

Charlie Murphy - June 08, 2024 at 09:58 PM

SS

“ I met Les coming to Harrisburg with my friend Roz to see her then  
boyfriend Hubert. He came over a lot and was very funny. You could  
see and feel his heart. Rest in peace Les and may God wrap his  
loving arms around your family. Keeping you all in my prayers!

sharon sloan - June 08, 2024 at 06:13 PM

YJ

“ I will truly miss you. You taught me so much about membership  
associated with the Post 733 legion. I send my deepest  
condolences to his family. May you rest in HEAVEN. God bless your  
family, which includes the legion family and community.

Yvonne Vonnie M Jackson - June 08, 2024 at 05:59 PM

KC

Wonderful and Well Respected Man..Rest my Brother ❤️. Will Miss  
You

Kay Carelock - June 12, 2024 at 01:08 AM

LM

“ I will never forget when you came to our house, and we made ribs on on the grill, white rice and beans, and you asked for seconds, u will be missed, beautiful soul, good friend, big heart, good ball player, way back when, ,  
THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES, u will be greatly missed ....



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**Linda & Tony Melendez** - June 08, 2024 at 04:34 PM

AW

“ Les was and is truly a brother to me and Al...he spent a lot of time at our house and he cared for our mother in our absence...we were family in so many ways and processing this is still a bit heavy. I'm honored to have been involved in the amazing life he lived and will remember him always.

*Your reward will be great!!!*

*Rest In Heaven Les !!!*

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**Ambassador Pastor Gary Wilkerson** - June 08, 2024 at 02:18 PM

CH

*Peace and Blessings to a great person! Always had a nice time in your presence*

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**Christine Headen** - June 10, 2024 at 10:50 PM

DS

*Dear Lisa and Family,*

*Memories of our high school years at C.D. East come flooding back as I think of Les. Playing football and basketball, in study halls and hanging out. His focus and his smile. He always gave the best of himself. May your good memories of times with him and his love for you fill your hearts and minds.*

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**Doreena Sloan** - June 12, 2024 at 08:05 AM



RB

“ I will truly miss u Les! You were always such a nice guy with the biggest smile! Rest in Heavenly Peace my dear friend 💕💕

*Renee Drayton Bowers*

Renee Drayton Bowers - June 08, 2024 at 07:57 AM

KH

“ Lester when I met you I knew you were someone special, you always had a gentle hug and a smile. you will truly be missed. Rest in Peace my friend.



Kelli Hawkinschilds - June 08, 2024 at 06:40 AM

WA

“ Wandra A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lester Jerome Waters.

Wandra A. - June 07, 2024 at 09:21 PM

TA

“ 🙏RIH🙏 Les You will be missed dearly. Sending Prayers and my deepest condolences 🌸 to his family..🙏🙏



Tammy A - June 07, 2024 at 08:15 PM

TS

“ *Mr.Les! it was a pleasure have known such a humble person, we will forever appreciate the conversations and laughter whenever you would come down to york and drive the limo for us. To the Wallace funeral directors staff you guys are in our prayers during this time as you navigate through this loss of a great colleague*



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**The Boulding Mortuary Staff** - June 07, 2024 at 05:12 PM

BS

*Boulding Mortuary Staff*

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**Boulding mortuary Staff** - June 07, 2024 at 05:15 PM

ND

“ *Farewell, my friend. I've been beyond lucky to know you. The memories we made together will always hold a special place in my heart. Your kindness, generosity and sense of humor have brought joy and laughter into my life. I will miss you ❤️ Rest in perfect peace.*

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**Natina Davis** - June 07, 2024 at 04:01 PM

AL

“ *I saw Lester play football at CD East high school and work at the Post Office,*

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**Andrei Lewis** - June 07, 2024 at 12:29 PM

FM

“ Our family is keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers. I will always hold Lester close in my thoughts and lovingly in my heart and will miss him. As we always said, we are not Ex's, we are loving friends! Rest in Peace Les!



Flora D. Michael - June 07, 2024 at 12:21 PM

P(

To Lisa and Family. You and Family has my Condolences. I'm so sorry to hear about Lester passing. He was a very friendly young man, my family used to live next door to each other on 5th & Hamilton Street, we all had fun and laughter. Lester is going to be sadly missed, he'll always be in my thoughts and my heart. He was really good guy, always had kind words to say. Lisa, you and the family will always be in my prayers. God Bless You and Family. Rest in Peace Lester. (Lester has his Wings Now) Love from Priscilla Johnson (Dawson) & Family.



Priscilla Johnson (Dawson) - June 08, 2024 at 02:28 PM

RF

To Lisa and family. I always called Les my little brother. He will be greatly and sadly missed. May God Bless you and hold you close. With great love, Roz Freeman

Rosalyn R Freeman - June 08, 2024 at 06:03 PM

TW

To the family my deepest condolences. Les and I have been very close for many years. He will always be very special to me. I will surely miss you, but will never forget you. RIP.

Theresa A Wise - June 09, 2024 at 03:13 PM