

# Lenard R. West

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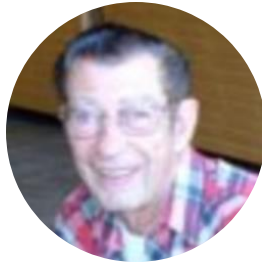


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## **Lenard R. West**

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**L**enard R. West, 82, passed away on Wednesday, August 7, 2013. He is preceded in death by his mother, Nell Ogan West. Lenard is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Kathleen West; son, Larry D. West Sr. and wife, Annette; daughter, Doll Ellis and husband, Rick; brother, Frank West; sisters, Stella Mae Collins, Jean Lane, Delta Bowlin and husband, Gene, Margie Fultz; grandchildren, Christine D. West Lee, Larry D West, Jr., Michael R. West, Lenard R. West II, Andrew C. Ellis, and Erin L. Ellis; step grandchildren, James D. Mathis III, Amanda L. Ellis Yellott, and Erick P. Ellis; twelve great grandchildren; his company family, Gregorio “Zorro” Resendiz, Sandy Brockett, Larry “Boone” Kliesing, and in remembrance, Dorothy Mae Smith; and a host of other family and friends.

Lenard learned to fabricate aluminum at a young age and established L.R. West Manufacturing Co. in 1964. The company would grow to be a successful business and continues to thrive today. The success of his business was attributed to Lenard’s phenomenal mechanical mind. Lenard loved working with his hands and could make just about anything. He was known by many as either Mr. West or Lenard. Lenard was a lifetime member of the NRA; was an excellent marksman and was the Gulf Coast National Champion in Bench Rest Shooting. He loved his cars and was especially partial to his 1972 GMC Pickup Truck affectionately known as the “Orange Blossom Special”. His other treasured car was “The Hoopie,” a prized 1931 Model A Ford Coupe. Lenard was affectionately known to his family as “Grandpa”. He loved supporting Little League Baseball and sponsored numerous teams for many years. Lenard will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him.

A visitation for Lenard will be held on Thursday, August 15, 2013 from 6:00 until 8:00 pm at Clayton Funeral Home, 5530 W. Broadway, Pearland, Texas 77581. The funeral service will take place on Friday, August 16, 2013 at 10:00 am at the funeral home with Pastor Keith Anderson officiating.



## Tribute Wall

Lenard R. West

JM

**James Mathis** posted:

I miss you grandpa. Every now and then I like to listen to the voice mail you and grandma left, singing me happy birthday. I am so happy to be living back in Pearland with my wife and three girls. Wish I could have made it back sooner to visit with you and watch baseball. I loved when you would call me and keep me updated on Pearland Little League Baseball. I loved your stories about Davy Crockett and Daniel Bone and you pretending to blow in your thumb and then flex your bicep, we believed that trick for years! And who could forget having grandma's "Tennessee breakfast". Miss and Love you allot.James

September 16 at 7:00 PM

MT

**Millie Toth** posted:

Kathleen, "Doll" and Lenard's Loving Family ...It has been a while since I had the privilege of chatting with you and your family. I remember how kind, loving and dedicated Lenard was to everyone he met. He never seemed to meet a stranger and his passion for life was always evident in his daily activities via sense of humor and passion/compassion for others. It was always delightful to see him drive by in his "Orange Blossom Special." Lenard touched so many lives and will be missed by more than can be imagined. He will be "living on" through his loving family and friends.If you and/or family ever need ANYTHING, please do not hesitate to contact me.May God Bless You and your family members during this time. Respectfully ...Love ya, Millie Toth [matoth@mdanderson.org]

August 16 at 7:00 PM

AN

**Angel** posted:

I will miss Lenard so much... I loved when you all came to Tennessee to visit and he always told the story of calling Heaven... Please know you all are in my thoughts and prayers and I love you all

August 15 at 7:00 PM

LM

**Lora Meyers** posted:

Aunt Kathleen, Larry, Doll, and family.Uncle Leonard will be sadly missed, and always remembered for his extremely funny jokes and stories. I always loved it when he came to Tennessee. Please know that you're are in my thoughts and prayers. Love Always, Ricky, Lora, Ashley, and Taylor

August 14 at 7:00 PM



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**Kelly Rogers** posted:

Kathleen, Larry and Doll: Lenard was a hoot and so funny. I loved his jokes and his smile. He knew more than most people in their entire life time. I know he will be missed by many people and your family. He was one of a kind and a true diamond in the sky. He was so proud of all his grandchildren. He is in Heaven and not suffering anymore. God needed a mastermind in Heaven, so he called on Lenard. Eddie and I are here for you all and whatever you need. God Bless you all. Love you all, Kelly and Eddie Rogers

August 10 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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