



## Leo Edward McElrath III

January 23, 1949 - May 8, 2025

Leo Edward McElrath III passed away on Thursday, May 8th, 2025, at the age of 76. Leo was born January 23rd, 1949, in St. Louis, MO, to Leo Jr. and Anna McElrath.

Leo was raised in Fredericktown, MO, and graduated from High School there in 1967. He and his wife, Carolyn Clark, were married two days after graduation on May 27th, 1967 in Higdon, MO. Leo joined the US Army in 1967 and served as a missile crewman. He served in Korea from 1969 until 1970. He was also stationed in Collinsville, IL, Chicago, IL, and Fairfield, California. He served as a Sergeant with the Missouri State Highway Patrol from 1972 until 1999. He also worked at the Bollinger County Sheriff's office as a Deputy and as Sheriff until 2012. He and his wife, Carolyn, attended Cottage of Grace Baptist Church in Marble Hill. He also served as a Boy Scout Leader in Jackson, Mo., as well as being a member of the Masonic Lodge in Perryville, Mo., and a Shriner.

The Visitation will be held Monday, May 12th, 2025, from 9am to 10am at Ford & Liley Funeral Home in Marble Hill with graveside services at 10:30am, at Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson, MO., with Gerald Huff officiating.

Leo is survived by his wife Carolyn, grandson Aaron (Stefany) McElrath, and great-grandson Maddox McElrath.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sons Eric & Leo IV.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **12.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (cst)

Ford & Liley Funeral Home - Marble Hill

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Carolyn and family - My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Christy Bollinger** - May 15, 2025 at 11:14 AM

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“ Carolyn, I am so sorry to learn of the death of your husband. You and I worked together many, many years ago at Bank of Perryville at that time. Praying for your comfort and peace!

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**Beth Guth** - May 10, 2025 at 09:03 AM