



## Lavern Waters

October 4, 1937 - October 31, 2021

E. Lavern Waters, 84

Lakeland – Mr. Lavern Waters went home to be with The Lord on October 31, 2021. He was born in Jasper, FL to parents, James and Lela Waters. Lavern moved to Lakeland in 1960. He worked for Publix Supermarkets as a Grocery Warehouse Superintendent for 38 years.

Lavern was a member of Trinity Life Church of God. His hobbies included his love of farming and fishing.

Lavern is survived by his wife, Ann Waters; daughters, Daphne Waters, Brandee (Steve) Sullivan; sisters, Susie (Jim) Pearce, Marilyn (Lamar) Carmichael; grandchildren, Evelyn and Matthew Sullivan; many nieces and nephews and life long friends

Visitation will be Friday November 12th from 10:00 – 11:00am at Trinity Life Church of God, 1942 W. Memorial Blvd, Lakeland, FL 33815. Services will begin at 11:00 am. Interment will follow at Serenity Gardens. Arrangements by Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes, Serenity Gardens Chapel. Condolences to the family may be offered at [www.gentry-morrison.com](http://www.gentry-morrison.com)

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Trinity Life Church of God Ladies Ministry.

# Cemetery Details

## Serenity Gardens

3350 Mall Hill Drive  
Lakeland, FL 33810

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Life Church of God  
1942 W. Memorial Blvd.  
Lakeland, FL 33815

## Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Lakeland, FL 33815

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lavern Waters*

November 17, 2022 at 10:14 AM



“ *Dale & Rose Goodall lit a candle in memory of Lavern Waters*



**Dale & Rose Goodall** - November 11, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *Love Maxie Bell family..... purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lavern Waters.*



**Love Maxie Bell family.....** - November 10, 2021 at 07:44 PM



“ *Lavern was one of the finest gentlemen I've ever known. I met him in 1976 when I hired on at the Publix Lakeland grocery warehouse. He was a kind but strong man that I highly admired. Mr. Lavern was the kind of man we should all strive to be.*

**Wayne Glass** - November 10, 2021 at 07:07 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lavern Waters.*



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November 10, 2021 at 11:13 AM



“ *I worked at Publix the same time as Mr Waters. While I did not know him personally, we acknowledged each other when passing in the hallways within the Corporate Offices. He always had a smile on his face and appeared to have a pleasant personality. My condolences to the family and may God Bless. Gerry Talbert*

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**Gerry Talbert** - November 09, 2021 at 02:50 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Lavern Waters.*



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November 09, 2021 at 01:13 PM

JK

“ Miss Annie, We are sorry for your loss of this great and Godly man.

*Where I haven't been in touch in many years, you were like a mother to me in my earlier career. Your guidance helped me thru to where I am today.*

*Our hearts and prayers go out to you and Daphne. We know you guys loved Vern with all your heart(s).*

*If there is anything we can do, please let us know.*

*Joe Kastner "Little Joe" and Family.*

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**Joe Kastner** - November 09, 2021 at 06:57 AM

CB

“ Ann, Daphne and Family: Our heart and prayers go out to you and your family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Lavern will be missed by many. May our prayers help comfort you. Love from the Maxie Bell family....

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**Charlotte Bell** - November 08, 2021 at 09:33 PM

MC

“ I don't have many memories of my childhood, growing up that Uncle Vern wasn't a part of, I am really blessed that he was apart of my life, from fishing, hunting or riding our four wheelers in the woods. We had a bunch of great memories. I thank him for that. R. I.P. Uncle Vern. I know that you are with the Lord. I pray for Aunt Ann and the rest of our family, to have comfort from the grief of your passing. Love you Uncle Vern. I will see you again one day in heaven.

*Mark Carmichael*

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**Mark Carmichael** - November 07, 2021 at 10:22 AM

BM

“ Ann,

*Ross and were so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. We are praying for peace and comfort today and the days to come.*

*With love,  
Ross and Brenda Morgan*

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**Brenda Morgan** - November 05, 2021 at 09:13 AM

MW

“ Marguerite Waters lit a candle in memory of Lavern Waters



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**Marguerite Waters** - November 04, 2021 at 08:08 PM

MW

“ My husband Doyle asked me to say on his behalf Uncle Lavern always gave good advice in life especially about Publix Stock, enjoyed talking with him about fishing & gardens he always had a smile on his face, this part is from me when I was working in Printing Services & @ lunch time in the Cafeteria every once in a while he would catch me & say hey girl & give me a big hug! He retired many years before me but I always, always remember how soft spoken & kind he was. We're sure God needed a great man and Heaven loves having him 🙏❤️ We will miss him dearly. Sincerely, Doyle & Marguerite Waters

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**Marguerite Waters** - November 04, 2021 at 08:07 PM

JL

“ We are so sorry for your loss Ann and Daphne. My mom and dad thought so much of Lavern. Dad always wanted to wish him a happy birthday! Prayers and love to you and all the family.

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**Janice Lovering** - November 04, 2021 at 07:12 PM

HS

“ What a wonderful guy he was. Love sent to his wife and family. He and his wife was patients of the doctor I worked for 13 years loved chatting with them through the years. Just goes to show God only takes the best

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**Hollie Seaman** - November 04, 2021 at 07:03 PM

SW

“ Sherry Waters purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Lavern Waters.



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**Sherry Waters** - November 04, 2021 at 05:33 PM