



## Elmer L. Young

August 29, 1927 - March 5, 2013

Elmer L. Young, 85, of St. Joseph, passed away Tuesday evening, March 5, at Lakeland Continuing Care in St. Joseph.

Funeral services celebrating his life will be held at 9:00 A.M., Friday, March 8, 2013, at the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, 1053 E. Napier, in Benton Harbor, with Pastor J. Dean Pickett officiating. Burial will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens in Hager Shores with Military Rites. Visitation will be held from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M., this evening, at the funeral home. Memorials may be left to either the First Church of the Nazarene or to Hospice at Home. Messages of condolence may be sent to [www.florin.net](http://www.florin.net).

Elmer was born on August 29, 1927, in West Plains, Missouri, to Lester and Eva Marie Young. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy at the end of WWII. Elmer worked for Coval's and later at Roosevelt Public School from which he retired. Elmer enjoyed hunting and bowling and will be remembered for his contagious sense of humor. Most of all, Elmer cherished time spent with his family – particularly his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Elmer is survived by his wife of 19 years, Carol; daughters, Deanna (Edison) Davidson of Jackson, Michigan, Vanessa Young of St. Joseph and Kara Smith of St. Joseph; step-children, Rhonda Taylor of Berrien Springs, Diane Lee of California, Audrey Smith of Watervliet, and Robin (Bruce) Livesay of Sawyer;

numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and by many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Elmer was preceded in death by his brothers, Leonard, Harold, and Richard Young; and by two infant siblings.

# Cemetery Details

## North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M 63 N  
Coloma, MI 49038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service  
1053 East Napier Avenue  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269) 926-7222  
staff@florin.net

## Service

MAR 8. 9:00 AM (ET)

Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Young family, please accept my sincere sympathy. May you look forward to the time when the Bible says that "(God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

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**Damon Williams** - March 18, 2013 at 03:19 PM

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“ Carol ..... I have fond memories of your husband Elmer at Lakeland Continuing Care . My Dad Keene Evans was across the hall from Elmer and I remember you always being there taking good care of Elmer and playing bingo in the cafeteria together....and the times I did not see you I always stopped by to talk to Elmer and tried to encourage him...I remember him always cracking a joke and always making me smile and I would always say something that would make him smile too.... I know this is a very hard time for you, and that sweet precious granddaughter and your family. But I want ya'll to know your in my thoughts and prayers...I know ya miss Elmer deeply and you were a wonderful wife and care giver to him... But Elmer does not need to suffer no more and can enjoy his new life, new body and awesome sight in his eyes to see the beauty of heaven and God standing next to him welcoming him with open arms... Elmer's also with past loved ones and friends in Heaven and one day we will all be with them too... My heart goes out to ya deeply my friend and so many thoughts and prayers are with you and I also pray God gives ya great comfort and peace during this difficult time and may all the many memories ya shared for so many years with Elmer bring many smiles and happy tears and comfort to ya through the years.... As time goes by there will always be a big part of Elmer with ya forever...God bless ya!

LENETTE EVANS

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Lenette - March 12, 2013 at 10:47 PM

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“ Carol u took very good care of Elmer.sorry u have to go thru this. He was a good man and a funny one too. He will be missed by all who love him. He is probably in heaven Joni.g around right now

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sharonpt - March 07, 2013 at 10:52 PM