



## Lawrence Kelley Sharp

May 12, 1942 - March 30, 2021

Lawrence Kelley Sharp, 78, passed away on March 30, 2021 at his home in Mayfield. He was born on May 12, 1942 in Mayfield, Arkansas.

Lawrence was a farmer and worked for the University of Arkansas Physical Plant for 39 years, retiring in 2005. In his younger days, he enjoyed playing baseball and would tell stories of playing baseball games in the small communities in North West Arkansas, like "Tick Stadium" located between Goshen and Mayfield. He would say, you couldn't play baseball because you always picking ticks. He also enjoyed playing softball for several years with his 2 sons. He loved being home, and working on the farm, and enjoyed spending time his 8 grand kids and 8 great grandkids.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Rosie Clark Sharp, sister Lois Morris and husband Jack Morris.

He was survived by his wife of 60 years Helen Marie Whittenburg Sharp; two sons – Kelley and Lisa Sharp of Farmington, Calvin and Susan Sharp of Fayetteville; eight grandchildren – Carson and Connor Sharp of Farmington, Cal Sharp of Johnson, Brandon and wife Emily Sharp of Springdale, Justin and wife Rachel Smith of Fayetteville, Collin Woodward of Fayetteville, Kimberly and husband Jeremy Byrd of Marble, Jeremy Thompson of Lowell; three nieces – Diana and husband Tony Bowerman of Fayetteville, Deloris and husband Tom McCoy of Fayetteville, Darlene Winn of Greenland; great nephews and nieces – Heath and wife Heather Bowerman of Fayetteville, Jeremy and wife Becky Bowerman of Fayetteville, Craig and wife Elizabeth

McCoy of Fayetteville, Eric and wife Sharon McCoy of Springdale, Whitley Winn of Greenland.

Visitation will be Friday, April 2, 2021 from 5 PM to 7 PM at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale. Private burial will follow.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Circle of Life.

Online condolences can be left at [siscofuneral.com](http://siscofuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Goshen Cemetery

120 State Highway 45  
Fayetteville, AR 72703

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel  
705 West Meadow  
Springdale, AR 72764  
(479) 751-4577  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence Kelley Sharp*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *I'm just now learning of Lawrence passing, I'm both shocked and saddened. I've known Lawrence since his early years at the university, and later we worked together for 15 years. He always put a bright spot in my day with his laugh and sense of humor. He was a great guy, and everyone who knew him loved him. My sincere condolences to the family. Ron Edwards*

**Ron Edwards** - April 08, 2021 at 09:19 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Kendyll & Laurie Campbell*

**Kendyll Campbell** - April 02, 2021 at 05:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



April 02, 2021 at 11:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



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April 02, 2021 at 09:58 AM



“ *Facilities Management purchased the With Distinction for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



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**Facilities Management** - April 02, 2021 at 09:25 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



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April 01, 2021 at 10:52 PM



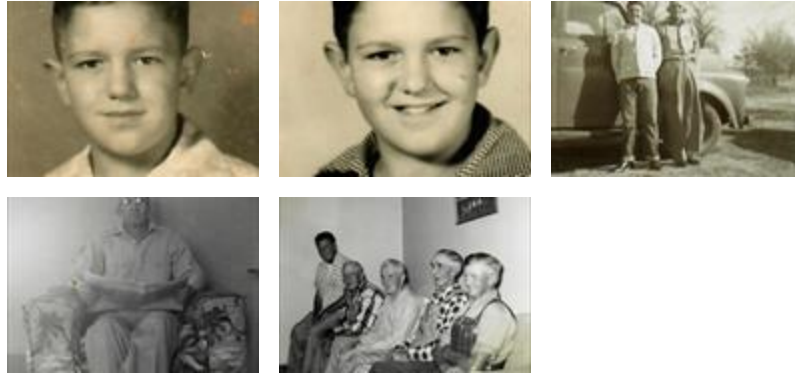
“ *My family moved to Arkansas about 5 years ago and Mr. and Mrs. Sharp welcomed us as neighbors from the day we met. Lawrence was a great man and helped me each and every time I asked him. I am honored to have known him the last few years of his life and enjoyed the visits we had sitting on his front porch just talking about whatever came up. Our prayers are with the Sharp family for comfort during this very tough time.*

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**Jerod Guillen** - April 01, 2021 at 10:40 PM



“ 105 files added to the album Memories of Lawrence Album



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**Sisco Funeral Chapel** - April 01, 2021 at 09:34 PM

GT

“ We've been neighbors for 26 years. Such a good man and a great family!!! Always willing to help out a neighbor in any way they possibly can. We will miss seeing Lawrence out and about!!!  
The Tinsley Family

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**Gary and Kristin Tinsley** - April 01, 2021 at 05:38 PM

TT

“ so to hear of Lawrence passing away my deepest sympathy to all the family. Lawrence and I started at the uofa about the same time. Lawrence was very good boss he treated every one fair I was in the grounds and Lawrence and I on worked at the same jobs together I remember his Jokes and his peanut brittle was the best will kept all my prayers  
Tillman & Dora Tabor

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**Tillman L Tabor** - April 01, 2021 at 12:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



April 01, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



April 01, 2021 at 08:49 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence Kelley Sharp.*



March 31, 2021 at 08:53 PM



“ *Lawrence excelled at an ever-changing and challenging job at the University, leading literally generations of young workers over the years, all while modeling good-natured equanimity and easy grace. You could always count on Lawrence, which is saying a lot. Sincere condolences to all of his family and many friends.*

**Bryan Stover** - March 31, 2021 at 05:34 PM

CH

“ We stopped by last year and they were out sitt'n on the porch. Everyone loved him. Gordon & Cara Harriman



Cara Harriman - March 31, 2021 at 05:22 PM

JJ

“ What a wonderful neighbor that will be deeply missed. Condolences to his family.

Joni Jongewaard - March 31, 2021 at 05:19 PM

SM

“ Lawrence was one of best folks I ever worked with at Facilities Management. He loved his family, took good care of those he supervised and made our department and the University of Arkansas a better place to be. His peanut brittle is legendary. He will be missed.

Steve McClain - March 31, 2021 at 05:12 PM

RP

“ Sorry to hear about Lawrence he was a great man he will be missed

randy porter - March 31, 2021 at 05:07 PM

RM

Lawrence great man he was great boss and he well be greatly miss always love hearing the old time stores My thoughts and prayers are with the family During this hard time Robert and Diane Moler

Robert Moler - March 31, 2021 at 07:08 PM

DC

*When I started working for Lawrence in the 80s, I have one lasting memory. We were working with jackhammers removing unwanted concrete on a tunnel wall. I had been using the hammer for a long time. And I guess Lawrence could tell I was getting tired. He told me to take a break and he started working with the hammer. This impressed me him being a boss. It showed me that he would not ask anyone to do something he wouldn't do himself. I worked for Lawrence 5 years and we were a wild bunch of young men then. He was always fair in our treatment and most of the time patient with our shenanigan's. He was a great boss and I respected him very much. I work with Calvin at the Heat Plant and I see his dad in him. I will miss him.*

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**Darryl Carpenter** - April 01, 2021 at 12:57 AM

DH

*My thoughts are with the entire Sharp family. I enjoyed working with Lawrence at the Physical Plant and eating his peanut brittle. He would always tell me a joke and then laugh and walk off. He was such a pleasure to work with and a wonderful person. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Dawn Hefley** - April 01, 2021 at 08:19 AM

JA

*Lawrence was a kind and gentle man. If anyone here at FAMA had cause for losing his cool it would have been Lawrence for all the pranks, jokes, and goofing off that he had to put up with from the myriad of jokers that he supervised over his many years as the Labor Shop Foreman, but Lawrence never did. I wasn't in the Labor Shop for a long time but I did know Lawrence for many years and I always had the utmost respect for him. Lawrence didn't command respect, he earned and deserved it. He treated everyone fairly and with compassion, even when it wasn't deserved.*

*Lawrence left a legacy and it will live on through both Kelley and Calvin.*

*My condolences and heartfelt sympathy for the family and many, many friends who knew and loved this truly good man. You don't find many like Lawrence anymore.*

*Jon Andrews & Family*

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**Jon Andrews** - April 01, 2021 at 09:22 AM

LD

*Helen and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know Lawrence will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. Just remember his time on earth may be over but we will all meet again when the roll is called up yonder. Sending love and prayers to your entire family.*

*Love, LaNell and Chase Derby*

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**LaNell Derby** - April 01, 2021 at 08:05 PM

JH

*Helen & family, you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. God had a plan for Lawrence to sing with the angels. Love, Jackie Morris Hinton*

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**Jackie Morris Hinton** - April 02, 2021 at 02:56 PM