



## Lester "Dean" Jackson

September 10, 1937 - May 22, 2018

Services honoring the life of Lester "Dean" Jackson will be 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at Rhema Chapel. Burial will take place on Thursday at Licking Cemetery, Licking, Missouri. Friends may visit the funeral home on Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with family there to receive visitors from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Lester "Dean" Jackson was born September 10, 1937 to Lester and Lela (Bell) Jackson. He grew up in southern California. He met the Lord while playing piano for the United Methodist Church at the age of 16. Dean later got filled with the Holy Spirit at a full gospel business men's meeting.

After that he attended Bible college at the Assembly of God Bible College of Southern California. After graduation he was sent to Indianola, Missouri to intern. While interning he met Lucille Lawson. They got married on July 3, 1959.

They became pastors of the Indianola Assembly of God Church. In October of 1960, their first child, Charles Jackson, was born. The Lord began to deal with their hearts to become missionaries to Native Americans all over the United States. They began to prepare to follow the leading of the voice of the Lord.

In November of 1964, daughter, Cynthia was born. One year later they

became pastors of a Navajo Assembly of God church in Bloomfield, New Mexico, where they stayed until 1969. They moved to Wright City, Oklahoma to pioneer and pastor a Choctaw church, where they had services starting in the den of their home.

In February 1973, daughter Lela was born. The church grew and got turned over to a native pastor where Dean and his family moved on to Pendleton, Oregon to continue working with Native Americans. Then they went to the Mohave Desert to work with the Paula Indians.

In 1977 they moved back to the Navajo Indian Reservation in New Mexico to pioneer several churches. They started in homes and then moved to outside tents. God blessed them and they were finally able to move to a church building.

Dean worked two jobs and pastored in order to provide for his family and keep the ministry going. Many signs and wonders and miracles were experienced by the Native Americans and they learned the unfailing love of God.

The Jackson's had other short term missionary journeys but ended their ministry with Navajo Indians in New Mexico, where the churches that they started are still going strong today. We thank God for their dedication and obedience to fulfill the call.

Dean and Lucille moved to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma in 1996 for Dean to attend Rhema Bible College. After graduating in 1998, they returned to New Mexico to continue doing the work of the Lord. In 2003 they returned to Broken Arrow and became active members of Rhema Bible church. Dean and his wife ministered to everyone they came across.

In May 2011, Lucille went to be with the Lord and this devastated Dean, he

had lost his wife of 53 years. For the next 7 years he continued on with everyday life. He went to work at Wal-Mart as a greeter where he was known to encourage people in the lord and for his ornery personality. Even though he spent time with family he longed every day to fill the void. He pressed on in the Lord reading and studying his bible.

He had the privilege to see 11 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren born during his life. Many lives were touched by Dean Jackson. You ran a good race, you fought a good fight. You are now with Jesus and may we continue where you left off.

Memorials may be made to the RISE program: [www.riseprograminc.com](http://www.riseprograminc.com)

Dean is survived by,

Children, Cynthia and Marc Julson, Broken Arrow, OK

Lela and Bob Haase, Mannford, OK

Amanda Jackson, Tulsa, OK

Charles and Letta Jackson, Bloomfield, NM

Grandchildren, Michael, Christy and Warren, Jessica, Mark and Lori, Alyssa and Danny and Jerime, Jacob and Janae, Jerikah and George, Jazmyn, Naomi and Justin, Joshua

Great grandchildren, Joshua, Clark, Ava, Luke, Jordan, Hailey, Eden

Brother, Walter Jackson

Dean was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Donnie, Larry, sister Mable and great grandchild Chloe.

# Cemetery Details

## Licking Cemetery

Licking, MO

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**MAY 29.** 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

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## Funeral Service

**MAY 30.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Rhema Chapel  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012



# Tribute Wall



“ Lester "Dean" Jackson

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ MY name is Ron White and i Went to high school with Dean he was a great guy and a very nice person.

Ron White - April 23, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ Dean was an inspiration to all those he greeted at Walmart. My dad was a frequent visitor there and they struck up a friendship. He would get my dad a cart to ride around the store in and he helped him in so many ways. Dad counted Dean a friend and even bought him a Christmas gift each year. Dad was 90 years old!

*I am thankful I had the opportunity to know him. I looked for Dean in church each Sunday to say hello and was so saddened to hear of his passing. I'll miss his friendly smile and warm greetings. But know he is enjoying the blessings of heaven. Thank you for sharing him with us all.*

*Cheryl Piper*

Cheryl Piper - May 31, 2018 at 11:49 AM



*I AM Deborah the oldest daughter. Born 1962. Also they left off my youngest Son Kevin.*

Deborah Hanley - October 21, 2024 at 03:55 PM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Jackson family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Lester* ”



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - May 22, 2018 at 10:57 PM