



## Elmer J. "Al" Davenport

July 9, 1944 - August 30, 2016

Elmer J. "Al" Davenport was born on July 9, 1944 to Harold Lawrence and Martha Davenport. Elmer passed away at his home in Shelby Township, Michigan on August 30, 2016. Elmer was the owner of National Seating Company and Wild Bill's Trains in Clinton Township. He is the beloved father of Harold (Laurie Girgenti) Davenport II, Marilyn Davenport, Elmer Davenport II and the late Elmer J. Davenport Jr. and Elizabeth Davenport. Proud grandfather of Brett, Hailey, Logan, and Lyla. Dear brother of Harold L. (Nita) Davenport, Jr., Don (Jane) Davenport, and the late Dorothy Bolin and Shirley (Don) Mayo. Also dear brother in law of James Bolin. Dear uncle to Don (Cindy) Mayo, Susan (the late Dennis) Griesbach, Jim (Susan) Bolin and other nieces and nephews. Elmer is also survived by his long time business associate Bert Danowski. Visitation Thursday Noon until 6:00 PM at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (n. of 22 Mile Road), Shelby Twp. Funeral service at 6:00 PM at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

SEP 1. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
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### Funeral Service

SEP 1. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LA

“ Had our first Sunday dinner without you tonight. I miss you so much!!!! I keep ringing the wind chime we got, it's just not the same. Peach festival was today, remember our times there😭😭😭 although I said goodbye, it wasn't enough! What am I going to do without you?

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**laurie ann** - September 04, 2016 at 11:22 PM

FD

“ Elmer's LAFF & JOKES will be missed - especially when he tried ZING me .  
We had many GOOD conversations together - but talking about cars always  
put a SPARKLE in his eyes & a SMILE on his face .

When it came to TRAINS he could fix anything and had every part for them -

i just call him Mr. LIONEL - HE is a LEGACY in our time .

When i needed a part or have something fixed i'd tell i'll pick it up next week -

the next thing i knew he would be in back room fixing it .

WILD BILL'S TRAINS & Elmer were ONE of a kind and there will never be

another like them .

i had great fun helping out @ the store during the Christmas holidays and

when he was short handed . i consider him a GOOD friend & happy to

have known HIM .

fred d. & Barbara Dromke TOO .

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**fred d** - September 02, 2016 at 03:50 AM

SK

“ Elmer you were a great friend to us and you will be missed. I am honoured to have met you and dealt with you at Wild Bills trains. So sorry to hear of your passing. You will be in our hearts forever.

*Steve, Theresa Knight & Family*

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**Steve Knight** - September 01, 2016 at 10:01 AM

MD

“ It is with deep sadness to hear of this, knew he was ill but not this ill, this comes as a real shock. May he rest in peace. He will surly be missed.

*Martin Derouin*

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**Martin Derouin** - September 01, 2016 at 08:18 AM

BE

“ You were more than a boss and a friend to me you were someone who I looked up to and was always there for me and we shared many good times and memories together. I thought of you as a father and will miss you and our friendship. You are in a better place watching over all of us.

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**Bert** - September 01, 2016 at 06:46 AM

LA

“ Well, you always knew I was a crybaby. I have been doing good and taking care of things like I promised. Had a hard time today when I got coffee, and you weren't there for your 1/3 of a cup. :). I really wish we could have a lot more years, but I'm glad you are not suffering anymore. I would say I'm glad your in a better place, but there isn't a better place then here. Love you and goodbye. Xo

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**Laurie** - August 31, 2016 at 09:52 PM

CS

“ Always a smile. Always trying to make you laugh or placing a witty comment. Always willing to help me. That is how I will remember Elmer. RIP my friend.

Charlie Stoia - August 31, 2016 at 08:49 PM



“ Garden of Memories was purchased for the family of Elmer J. "Al" Davenport.



August 31, 2016 at 07:53 PM

SH

“ I met Elmer through my boyfriend Bert who worked at Wild Bill's Trains. Even though we didn't know one another long your smile and laughter light up a room. Heaven has gained another Angel, we lost a good guy and friend. Prayers go out to family during this difficult time.

Shirl - August 31, 2016 at 05:58 PM

NB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Elmer's passing. He was always so sweet to us and always had that big smile on his face. Sincerest condolences to his family and friends. I keep you in my thoughts and prayers.  
Nancy Bolin

Nancy M. Bolin - August 31, 2016 at 04:59 PM

CT

“ Although I didn't know you well Elmer, you were certainly loved and adored by Laurie, Harold, Brent, Logan, and Hailey. I'm glad I got to know you a little bit. ❤️🙏

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**colleen tebo** - August 31, 2016 at 04:39 PM