



Mr. Larry Edwards Jr.

September 22, 1963 - December 9, 2025

Mr. Larry O'Neal Edwards, Jr., devoted husband of Sophia Graves-Edwards, father, son, Paw-Paw, brother, and friend, peacefully transitioned from this earthly life to his Heavenly home on December 9, 2025, at the age of 62. Born on September 22, 1963, in Lexington, Kentucky, he was the beloved son of Mildred (Curtis) Owens and Larry Edwards, Sr., who raised him with love, strength, and faith.

Affectionately known to many as "Poohbear," "Big Ls," "Coach," "Bear," or simply "Mr. Edwards," Larry carried himself with grace, confidence, and charisma that left a lasting impression on everyone he met. From a young age, his bold spirit, kind heart, and infectious laughter brought joy to all who knew him. His natural ability to turn ordinary moments into cherished memories made him a light in every room. As a proud graduate of Henry Clay High School, Larry's intellect and discipline earned him a full academic scholarship to the University of Kentucky, where he excelled and formed lifelong friendships. His determination laid the foundation for a life of purpose, creativity, and service. Larry was lifelong member of St. John Baptist Church, Larry's faith guided every step of his journey. His devotion was reflected not only in his words but in his actions—through kindness, humility, and integrity. He lived by the principle that faith without works is dead, and he worked diligently to uplift others and honor God in all that he did.

A true visionary, Larry founded Larry's Lawn Care Services, which he proudly owned and operated for more than 30 years. His clients were more than customers, they were family. Through his dedication and professionalism, Larry built a thriving business and a lasting reputation for excellence. He took immense pride in his work, transforming ordinary spaces into something beautiful, much like he did in the lives of those around him. Larry was also known for his impeccable taste and love for fashion and design. Whether tailoring a suit, adding his own creative stitch, or setting trends before they reached the stores, his style was unmatched. Beyond his passion for fashion was his passion for people. He was one of the most loyal, supportive, and loving friends anyone could ask for, the kind of man who showed up, stood by you, and never hesitated to lend a helping hand or a listening ear.

Above all, Larry's heart belonged to his family. He was the devoted husband of Sophia Graves-Edwards, his partner in love and life. As a father and Paw-Paw, he was the heartbeat of his family - protective, selfless, and endlessly proud. His children and grandchildren were his greatest joy, and he often said that being their father and Paw-Paw was his life's highest honor. To his mother, he was a loving and respectful son; to his siblings, a source of support and strength; and to his friends, a loyal brother in spirit. Larry's home—and his heart were always open. His presence was larger than life, yet his spirit remained humble and kind, leaving a mark of love.

Larry is preceded in heaven by his father, Larry O'neil Edwards; grandmothers: Janey McDowell & Emma Faye Banks; sister: Janet Edwards; brother: Ronald Harold; aunt: Fonda Banks; and uncles: Charles Banks, Glen Banks, and Ronald Young.

He leaves to cherish his precious memory his devoted wife, Sophia Graves-Edwards; loving parents, Mildred Owens and Curtis Owens; his children: Darrell Edwards, Steven Bright, Adrian Stewart, Erta Stewart, Brandon

Edwards, Shanise Edwards, Alexis Edwards, Dayla Doneghy, Ariel Edwards, and Corey Edwards; his siblings: Sharon Evans, Eli Mitchell, James Mack; his grandchildren who adored him; beloved aunts and uncles, extended family, church family, and countless friends who will carry his love and legacy forever.

Cemetery Details

Cove Haven Cemetery

984 Whitney Avenue
Lexington, KY 40508

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John Missionary Baptist Church
511 Thurman Dr
Lexington, KY 40511

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

NR

“ *I am Disbelief. My Sincere Condolences. God Bless Larry. Thank you for taking care of my family when we needed lawncare or maintenance.*
NaTisse R.

NaTisse Rice - December 26, 2025 at 09:26 AM

BM

“ *Sincere condolences to all family, friends and church family. May God give comfort.*
Bertha Mason

Bertha Mason - December 22, 2025 at 05:24 PM

KB

“ *My sincere condolences to the Edwards family. May you Rest in Peace.*
Rev. Kenneth Brooks and Family
From 1 Bear 2 Another. iykyk

KENNETH BROOKS - December 20, 2025 at 06:32 AM

BJ

“ *I'm truly going to miss him. The best big cousin ever! Going to really going to be different at the family reunions without him. R.*
I. P Big Cousin
From Lil Bernie



Bernice Johnson - December 19, 2025 at 08:26 AM

LP

“ *Mr. Larry Edwards, and dear cousin of mine. Larry will be missed from me seeing his big smile and keeping my yard in place. Such a wonderful gentleman. RIH Larry*

Lisa Rankins Persley - December 18, 2025 at 11:47 PM

LC

“ *L.T. Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Larry Edwards Jr.*



L.T. Campbell - December 18, 2025 at 11:09 PM

CF

“ *Cousin Doris Faye & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Larry Edwards Jr..*



Cousin Doris Faye & Family - December 18, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ *A great man is truly going to be missed. Always had a wise word to share. We give our deepest condolences to the family. Mr and Mrs James " Jimmy Lee" Sanford*



Kathy Hagans-Sanford - December 17, 2025 at 04:26 PM

FA

“ From the Family of Federico Aldarondo purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Larry Edwards Jr..



From the Family of Federico Aldarondo - December 16, 2025 at 03:00 PM

BL

“ Blanche Long-Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Larry Edwards Jr.



Blanche Long-Edwards - December 16, 2025 at 01:32 PM

RD

Praying for Family & Friends 🙏 May Continue To Bless You & Yours.. RIP My Friend 🌹

Roxie Dawson - December 17, 2025 at 11:53 AM

JT

“ To the Edwards family and extended family, my sincere condolences. PooBear will always hold a special place with me. He was kind, super funny, and always coming from a good place. I am grateful and fortunate to have some Polaroid photos he took of my daughter and I from the 90's, those are priceless. Rest Easy Poo, your name and family will live forever....Joey

Joey Truax - December 16, 2025 at 10:06 AM



*Larry will truly be missed. I know your father, my brother met you at the gates of heaven.
I'm wrapping my arms around the family, sending my love, knowing God is with all times. Rest well my nephew.*

Pauline Lewis - December 16, 2025 at 10:33 AM

TA

“ So sorry for your loss.



Trayce Long - Adams - December 16, 2025 at 03:53 AM

HC

“ Larry, you will truly be missed. You are my friend and classmate rest in peace. Love you ❤️ condolences to the family during this time. 🙏

Hattie Carter - December 15, 2025 at 11:13 PM

VY

Cuz, you will e missed. Thank you for your presence. Now , you and Uncle Sonny can continue playing dominoes, and your conversations full of laughter

Valorie Yates - December 16, 2025 at 09:05 AM