

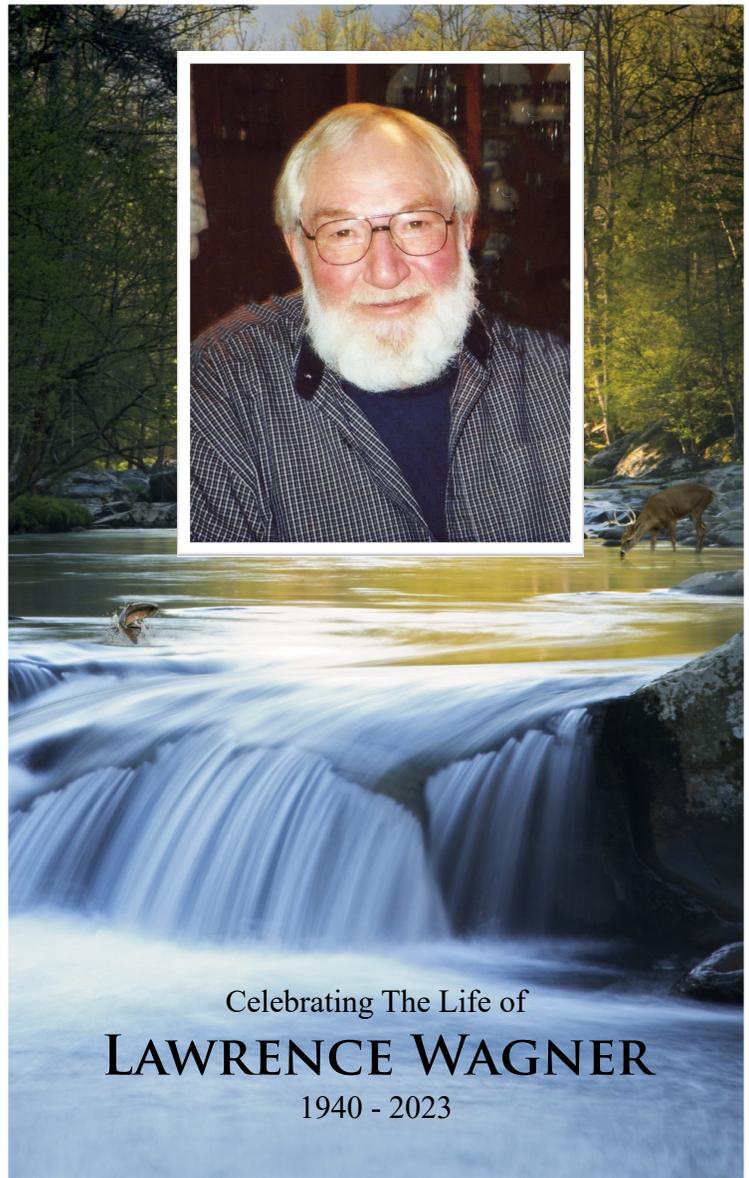
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I've finished life's chores assigned to me.  
So put me on a boat headed out to sea.  
Please send along my fishing pole  
For I've been invited to the fishin' hole.

Where every day is a day to fish  
To fill your heart with every wish.  
Don't worry, or feel sad for me.  
I'm fishin' with the Master of the sea.

We will miss each other for awhile.  
But you will come and bring your smile.  
That won't be long you will see.  
Till we're together you and me.

To all of those that think of me,  
Be happy as I go out to sea  
If others wonder why I'm missin'  
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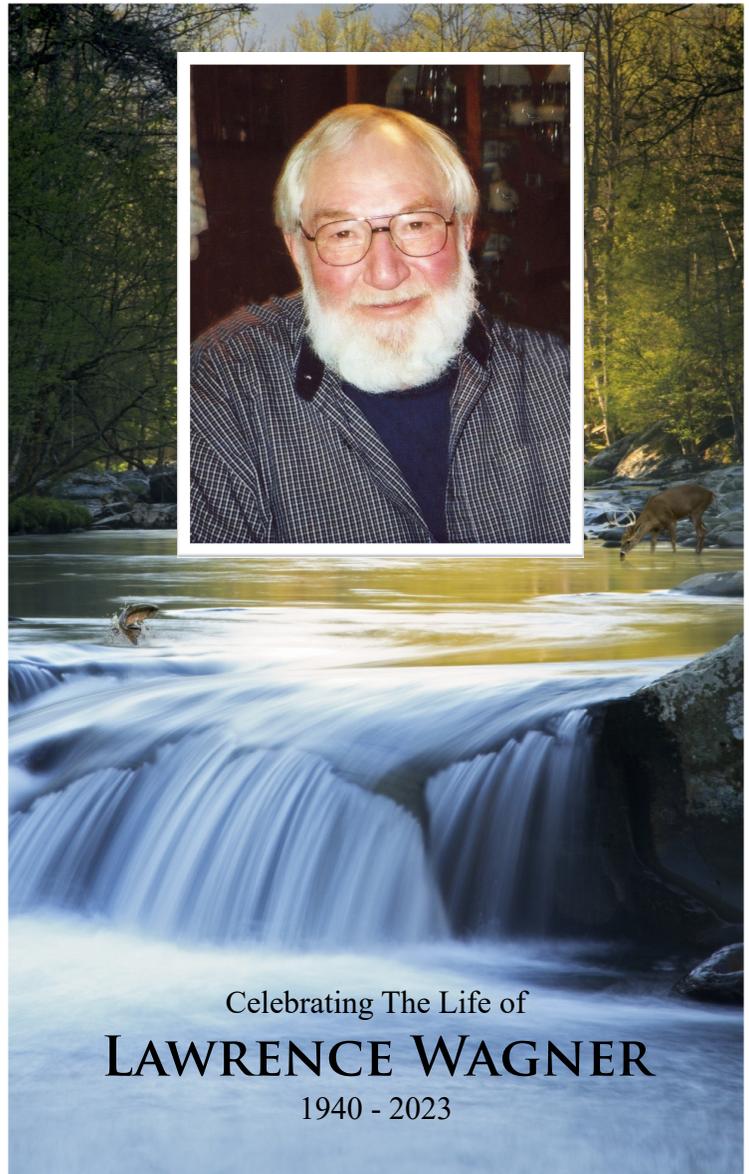
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## REMEMBERING LAWRENCE

Lawrence Elbert Wagner, age 82, of Jefferson City, Mo., passed away Friday, March 3, 2023, at his home.

He was born on November 13, 1940, in Jefferson City, Mo., the son of George Louis and Lena Mae (Madden) Wagner. He was married on March 30, 1974, in Jefferson City, Mo., to Judith Ann "Judy" West who survives.

As a lifelong resident of Jefferson City, Lawrence was a 1959 graduate of Jefferson City High School.

After completing his education, Lawrence began working for Wagner Plumbing, a company started by his father which he later took ownership of. He operated the family business until 1982 when he decided to close Wagner Plumbing and take a position with Ron Boyce Plumbing. In 1986 he began working with J & T Plumbing until 1991 and then finally retired in 2006 from Tallmage Plumbing in Columbia, Mo., as a Master Plumber.

Lawrence was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the United States Bowling Congress.

Much of his life was spent loving and supporting his family. He cherished the times on the Osage River in the pontoon boat, vacationing on a beach in Florida, and fondly reminisced a two week road trip taken with his wife to many national parks across various states. He thrived in nature and particularly liked the mountains.

In his free time, Lawrence enjoyed working in his shop and creating different pieces of furniture or home décor. His talent for woodworking was exhibited in his ability to take a idea from a magazine and build it himself. The family home is a showcase of countless pieces of furniture and other household items crafted by Lawrence. He enjoyed time outdoors whether it was time spent in his garden, or in a stream fishing. Even on the hottest summer days, he could be found sitting outside under the shade tree soaking in the summer heat.

Even though Lawrence loved watching all kinds of sports he was a true and faithful fan of the Kansas City Chiefs, St. Louis Cardinals, and NASCAR, which he was sure to record in case he missed it. Lawrence was an avid reader and watched assorted westerns, Wheel of Fortune, and Law and Order. He also could be found throwing strikes during his local bowling tournaments and has won numerous awards throughout his bowling career.

Lawrence will be most remembered for his ornery nature and playful sense of humor.

He is survived by: his loving wife of 48 years, Judy; children, Russell Wagner (Michelle) of Jamestown, Mo., Aaron Wagner of Jefferson City, Mo., and Scott West (Gina) of Jefferson City, Mo.; brother, Ralph Wagner of St. Peter's Mo.; sister-in-law, Nona Wagner of Jefferson City, Mo.; grandchildren, Zachary (Cassandra), Morgan (Josh), Kylie, Hadley, Adysyn, Braydon and Cruz; and great-grandchildren Shelby, Liam, Mateo, Austin, Wesley and Trenton.

He is preceded in death by: his parents, George and Lena; brother, William Madden, George C. Wagner; and sister-in-law, Carol Wagner.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Freeman Mortuary.

In Loving Memory of  
**LAWRENCE ELBERT WAGNER**  
November 13, 1940 - March 3, 2023

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### Date and Time of Service

11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 9, 2023  
Freeman Chapel  
Jefferson City, Missouri

### Officiating

The Reverend Melissa Hatfield

### Musical Selections

"Go Rest High on that Mountain"  
"Heaven By Then"  
"Joy of my Life "

### Pallbearers

Leroy Bisges      Harold Schenewerk  
Lloyd Herigon    Brent Luebbering  
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