



## Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey

June 21, 1923 - April 23, 2025

MANNING, SC – Leslie Ernest “Ernie” Gainey, 71, husband of Edna Dora Burkett Gainey, died Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at Morrell Rehab Center in Hartsville.

Born June 21, 1953, in Hartsville, he was a son of the late Carl Pinckney Gainey and the late Annie Lou Dalrymple Gainey. He lived in Hartsville for most of his life and moved to Manning in 2008 to be closer to his grandchildren. He attended Summerton Baptist Church until his health failed.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years of Manning; two children, Georgina Coffey (Frank) of Manning and Spencer Gainey of Hartsville; two grandchildren, John Coffey and Meredith Coffey; two brothers, Mike Gainey (Rhonda) and Reggie Gainey (Tonda), both of Hartsville; and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at Clarendon Memorial Gardens, 1237 Bloomville Road, Manning, with the Rev. Danny Holly officiating.

The family will receive friends immediately following the graveside service and other times at the residence, 1500 Doral Drive, Manning.

Memorials may be made to Samaritan's Purse, [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org).

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church Street, Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. [www.stephensfuneralhome.org](http://www.stephensfuneralhome.org)

# Previous Events

## Graveside

APR **26**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Clarendon Memorial Gardens  
1237 Bloomville Road  
Manning, SC 29102

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# Tribute Wall

RA

“ Robert R Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Robert R Andrews - December 18, 2025 at 05:15 PM

LD

“ So sorry to hear about Ernie.  
Please accept my condolences.  
I will keep you, Dora, and your family in my prayers.



Linda Faye Winburn Dickerson - May 03, 2025 at 04:46 PM

AB

“ Amy Blackburn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Amy Blackburn - May 03, 2025 at 11:08 AM

CB

“ Cindy Boles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Cindy Boles - May 01, 2025 at 09:04 PM

DM

“ *Diann Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey*



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**Diann Murphy** - April 30, 2025 at 02:53 AM

GV

“ *Mike and family so sorry for your loss*

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**Gary Vann** - April 28, 2025 at 02:40 PM

ES

“ *wonderful family . so sorry for your loss.*



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**Effie smith** - April 28, 2025 at 12:51 PM

TH

“ *Tammy Huskey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey*



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**Tammy Huskey** - April 27, 2025 at 08:27 PM

PD

“ Pat Dailey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Pat Dailey - April 27, 2025 at 05:37 PM

ET

“ Eula Jean And Billy Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Eula Jean and Billy Taylor - April 26, 2025 at 01:06 PM

CB

“ Carol Elmore Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



carol elmore bryant - April 26, 2025 at 06:55 AM

RD

“ Rick And Cheri Dunlap lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Rick and Cheri Dunlap - April 25, 2025 at 08:05 PM

ET

“ so very sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. I worked with him at Wellman. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Ed Taylor - April 25, 2025 at 03:01 PM

BO

“ Betty Skinner O'Neal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Betty Skinner O'Neal - April 25, 2025 at 12:12 PM

BO

*Dora, I am so sorry for your loss. You will be in my prayers*

Betty Skinner O'Neal - April 25, 2025 at 12:14 PM

VJ

“ Von Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Von Johnson - April 25, 2025 at 10:34 AM

CB

“ Tom & I are so very sorry to hear about Ernie. Tom worked with Carl and I worked with Ann & Reggie for many years, so we have known all of you since we moved here in 1972. May God wrap his arms around all of you and give you peace. Our deepest sympathy to each of you. Love, Cecelia

Cecelia Brown - April 25, 2025 at 09:42 AM

AM

“ Algie McGregor sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Algie McGregor - April 25, 2025 at 09:22 AM

DW

“ Reggie and family, So sorry to hear about Ernie. Praying for all of you.



Dianne Woodle - April 25, 2025 at 09:17 AM

LE

“ Larry Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Larry Easterling - April 25, 2025 at 06:13 AM

MG

“ Mitchell And Jackie Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Mitchell and Jackie Gainey - April 24, 2025 at 09:58 PM

MG

Ernie was a good man and friend praying for him and family ❤️❤️🙏

Mitchell and Jackie Gainey - April 24, 2025 at 09:59 PM

BT

“ Betty Huggins Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



Betty Huggins Turner - April 24, 2025 at 09:34 PM

SH

“ Dora & family, I'm so very sorry to hear about Ernie. He was such a good guy. My family & his were neighbors when we were kids. All of you are in our prayers.



Sandra & Larry Huggins - April 24, 2025 at 08:12 PM

ZC

Dora, I am so very so to see this. Ernie was a great guy and I am praying God fills you with his peace and comfort.

Zelda Connell - May 06, 2025 at 12:13 PM

DT

“ *David & Janet Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey*



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**David & Janet Tucker** - April 24, 2025 at 08:12 PM

LG

“ *Mike , I so sorry for your loss, prayers for you*



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**Lisa Goodale** - April 24, 2025 at 08:08 PM

CC

“ *Dora so sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers will be with you in the days ahead.*



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**Carol Gainey Camp** - April 24, 2025 at 07:15 PM

ET

*Sorry for your loss. I worked with Ernie at Wellman. God bless this family.*

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**Eula Jean and Billy Taylor** - April 24, 2025 at 10:18 PM

AG

“ Mike and family ,thoughts and prayers during this time of loss. So sorry.

*Angie and Jackie Gainey*

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**Angie Gainey** - April 24, 2025 at 05:27 PM

AC

“ Ann Crowley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



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**Ann Crowley** - April 24, 2025 at 05:13 PM

MS

“ Mike And Pat Sparrow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey



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**Mike and Pat Sparrow** - April 24, 2025 at 05:11 PM

GW

“ Mike and family so sorry to hear about Earnie! Prayers for your family!



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**Gloria Wase White** - April 24, 2025 at 05:02 PM

CF

“ *Chanda Fenters lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leslie Ernest "Ernie" Gainey*



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**chanda Fenters** - April 24, 2025 at 04:59 PM

BF

*Dora so sorry to hear about Ernie.  
Sending prayers and love.*

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**Brenda Floyd** - April 26, 2025 at 03:20 PM