



## Leonard "Wayne" Keele

July 14, 1959 - April 17, 2022

Leonard "Wayne" Keele, 62, passed away unexpectedly and went to be with the Glory of God on Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022. Wayne was raised in Woodville and attended Rickards High School, where he met and later married his high school sweetheart, Suzanne Walker. Wayne and Suzanne joyously celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary on April 12, 2022.

Wayne owned and operated Bluwater Imaging, Inc., located in Thomasville, Georgia. He was an avid salt water fisherman and he loved deep sea fishing and taking his family scalloping every season. He was a devoted family man who enjoyed spending time with his daughters and three grandchildren and often said it was especially important for him to "make memories" with them. He was a Christian, a member of Seminole Baptist Church and a true servant of God.

Wayne was known for his big heart, big smile, and his non-stop hospitality to others. He made strangers feel like a friend from the moment he met them. He was known to cook boiled peanuts every summer and pass out bags to anyone passing by including leaving them in the mailbox for the mailman, someone jogging down the street, or out in their yard. He loved to take bubble gum to church and pass it out to the kids, especially when their parents weren't looking. Having a family cookout or attending one at a friend's house, he was the one you would find cooking behind the grill. He was the last one to

sit down to eat at a meal and was always the one getting up to refill the sweet tea glasses or offering to refill your plate. Wayne would give you the shirt off his back and then offer his pants just to be sure you didn't need them. He was loud, loved to tease and could often be heard dispensing advice by saying, "What doesn't come out in the wash will come out in the rinse"!

He was preceded in death by his father, J.R. Keele, and brother, Stuart Keele. He is survived by his wife Suzanne Keele, mother Ann Butler (Charles), daughters Melissa Keele, and April Warner (Garrett), grandchildren Brett, Anna and Jacob Warner, mother-in-law- Libby Morelock, brothers Richard and Milton Keele, step-sister Linda McCall, step-brother Warren Butler, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at Seminole Baptist Church, 3330 North Mission Road, Tallahassee, Florida with visitation following the service.

Flowers may be sent to Abbey Funeral Home, or in lieu of flowers, a donation may be made in honor of Wayne to Seminole Baptist Church.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

APR **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Seminole Baptist Church  
3330 Misson Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32303

# Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.*



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April 22, 2022 at 05:20 PM



“ *The world will always be slightly darker now, since we no longer have Wayne Keele's smile & personality to brighten up the day. He was like a 2nd father to so many. Never judgemental, only showed understanding and acceptance. You always felt better after speaking to him. When I go out on the water in a boat, I will always think of Wayne Keele. My heart breaks for his family, especially his mother Mrs. Ann, his wife Mrs. Suzanne, and his daughters April and Melissa. Rest easy knowing your son, husband, father was a good man and touched so many lives, and is walking with the Lord now. Wayne is the definition of a good man, and who a father should be. -Amanda (Yount) Boynton and Family*

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**Amanda Boynton** - April 22, 2022 at 12:59 PM

BH

“ I got to know Wayne when he worked at A&W X-Ray many years ago. I would then occasionally see him at various veterinary offices while caring for foster pets belonging to the Humane Society. He always was so cheerful and had a huge smile on his face. Hearing of his sudden passing was a shock to me. I will remember him and his family in my prayers.  
*Barbara Hatch*

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**Barbara Hatch** - April 21, 2022 at 03:38 PM

DI

“ Suzanne, I am heartbroken over the loss of Wayne. He was a wonderful family man and friend.  
  
*much love, Diana Haywood*

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**Diana** - April 21, 2022 at 12:25 PM



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April 21, 2022 at 11:51 AM

SP

“ Suzanne, April, Melissa and family. Our hearts and prayers are with you all. Wayne was a wonderful person and I have so many memories of when we were in high school and spent our time at the fruit stand. Love to you all.



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**Susan, Les and Nicki Palmer** - April 20, 2022 at 08:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.*



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April 20, 2022 at 07:27 PM



“ *The neighbor get togethers will not be the same without his large smile and wit. We loved listening to him talk about his family and how much fun he had with the grandkids. He was truly one of the most genuine people we've had the pleasure to know. He will truly be missed.*

*Jeff and Susan Arnold*

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**Susan Arnold** - April 20, 2022 at 02:33 PM



“ *Cindy, Greta and Scott Vores purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.*



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**Cindy, Greta and Scott Vores** - April 20, 2022 at 12:19 PM



“ *Division of Hotels and Restaurants purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.*

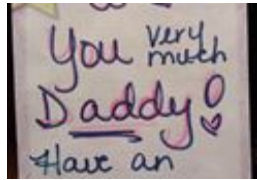


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**Division of Hotels and Restaurants** - April 20, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ 51 files added to the album Life Tributes



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - April 20, 2022 at 11:41 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.



April 20, 2022 at 11:28 AM



“ Dearest Suzanne, April, Melissa, Libby and Ann:

We share your heartbreak the passing of Wayne. He was a kindhearted, remarkable man that will be truly missed by all who ever met him. May the love of friends and family surround you and the light of the Lord gently guide you through this most difficult time.

With love and prayers,  
Cindy, Greta and Scott Vores

The Vores Family - April 20, 2022 at 11:07 AM

CC

“ I only knew Wayne for a little over 3 years, but in that 3 years Wayne taught me so much about how to be a man and how to have a positive outlook on life. Even in the most stressful of times, I never saw Wayne without a smile on his face. His level of wit, and the jokes and old sayings he could pull out of no where at the drop of a tac was unmatched. I feel very fortunate I was able to meet, and get to know Mr. Keele. His impact will never be forgotten.

Connor Craven - April 20, 2022 at 08:21 AM

CC

“ Connor Craven purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Leonard "Wayne" Keele.



Connor Craven - April 20, 2022 at 08:11 AM

KB

“ Suzanne, April, Melissa and families,

My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Kathy Banks

Kathy Banks - April 20, 2022 at 02:46 AM



JB

“ *Suzanne, April, and Melissa,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. You now have an angel watching over all of you.*

*Joan and Dru Breeding*

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**Joan M. Breeding** - April 19, 2022 at 06:10 PM

JB

“ *Joan M. Breeding lit a candle in memory of Leonard "Wayne" Keele*



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**Joan M. Breeding** - April 19, 2022 at 06:08 PM