



Elmer Dobson

April 5, 1932 - December 3, 2025

Elmer Dobson, 93, of Ingalls, passed away in Fishers on Wednesday, December 3, 2025. He was born April 5, 1932, in Vest, Kentucky to Adam and Mary (Terry) Dobson. On September 3, 1955, in Rensselaer, he married Eddath Combs, and they recently celebrated 70 years of marriage.

In addition to his wife, Eddath, he is survived by his children, Karen Collins of Fortville, Merle (Becky) Dobson of McCordsville, Regina (Mark) Merritt of Fortville, and Tonya (Don) Slovarp of Billings, Montana; grandchildren, Jessica (Larry) Crouch, Adam Dobson, Amie (Jeremy) Irwin, Andrea (Pete) Dejanovich, Tanner Merritt, Cody Merritt, Abbey Slovarp, and Hadley Slovarp; great-grandchildren, Ethan Maggart, Brooklyn Maggart, PJ Dejanovich, and Ireland Irwin; and siblings, Retha Walker, Sophia Foster, Sid (Jackie) Dobson, Phyllis (Kerby) Wireman, Earl (Sally) Dobson, and Anita (Ron) Brunton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Adam and Mary Dobson; siblings, Alma Sizemore, Barter Dobson, Ora Manns, Helen Barnett, Wilson Dobson, and Delmer Dobson; and son-in-law Gary Collins.

A veteran of the Korean War, Elmer proudly served in the United States Army from 1952 to 1954. He was stationed in Europe, where he drove a semi-truck transporting military supplies across France, Germany and Belgium. He worked for US Steel, Ford Motor Company, Nicholson File Co, and Warner

Gear before opening his own furniture and appliance business in Anderson in 1980. He retired from the furniture business in 1996.

Elmer was a proud family man, and a dedicated jokester who delighted in sharing his material with his children and grandchildren at every opportunity. He enjoyed playing bluegrass music and was an avid hunter and fisherman for most of his life. He was a proud member of the American Legion Post 391 in Fortville, and in 2005 he was commemorated by the Indiana House of Representatives for his service during the Korean War.

Visitation will be held on Monday, December 8, 2025, 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, 200 W 53rd St, Anderson, IN 46013.

Services will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 11:30 am, at the funeral home with additional visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial will take place in the Gravel Lawn Cemetery, Fortville.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Legion Post 391, 207 S Merrill St, Fortville, IN 46040.

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Cemetery Details

Gravel Lawn Cemetery

Fortville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory
200 W 53rd St
Anderson, IN 46013
(765) 649-5255
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Visitation

DEC 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ Eddath and family, sending condolences to all. Just now saw Elmer’s obit, wish I had known at the time, would have attended the visitation. Hasn’t been too long ago that I was in the neighborhood and wondered how he was doing. And I was really hoping we could’ve planned a jam session in your backyard during recent summers. Even if he could only listen, I know he would’ve enjoyed it. Wishing all of you comfort going forward.
(Marcia Bowling)

Marcia Bowling - January 05 at 08:12 PM

KC

“ Karen Collins lit a candle in memory of Elmer Dobson



Karen Collins - December 19, 2025 at 02:37 PM

YQ

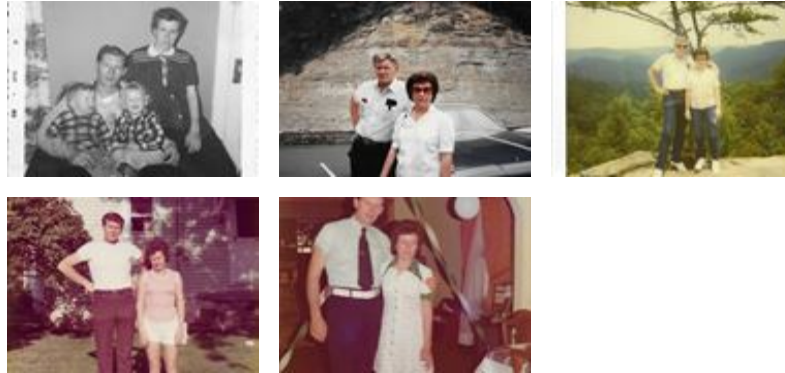
“ Yvonne Reed and Donna CCN qWhitseii purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elmer Dobson.



Yvonne Reed and Donna CCN qWhitseii - December 08, 2025 at 11:53 PM



“ 95 files added to the album LifeTributes



Loose Funeral Home - December 07, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ The Maggart Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Elmer Dobson.



The Maggart Family - December 06, 2025 at 01:40 PM



“ The Maggart Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elmer Dobson.

The Maggart Family - December 06, 2025 at 01:40 PM



“ A long time resident of Ingalls. Went to school with his kids. Comfort to the family.



Joel Orr - December 06, 2025 at 08:19 AM

MP

“ Heartfelt condolences to Tonya and Family from an old sixth grade teacher.

Michael Pierce - December 05, 2025 at 11:42 AM

TS

Thank you Mr. Pierce. That's so kind of you to reach out. You were such a great teacher.

Tonya Slovarp - December 12, 2025 at 12:20 PM

VM

“ Vickie,Ed, Tim,and Mandy purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Elmer Dobson.



Vickie,Ed, Tim,and Mandy - December 05, 2025 at 10:06 AM

VM

“ Vickie,Ed, Tim,and Mandy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elmer Dobson.

Vickie,Ed, Tim,and Mandy - December 05, 2025 at 10:06 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Elmer Dobson.



December 05, 2025 at 09:26 AM

SN

“ Sharon Nyman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elmer Dobson.

Sharon Nyman - December 05, 2025 at 09:26 AM

MK

“ Tonya & Family,

I'm so sorry for your loss and you will all be in my thoughts and prayers as you navigate through this difficult time. Michelle Kincade

Michelle Kincade - December 05, 2025 at 08:43 AM

PB

Many , many years of wonderful memories of Elmer and family fishing, hunting, & making music in the kitchen of their house & other places. He will be missed but always in our hearts. We want to send you all our deepest condolences...

Love from Patsy & Ernie Lovens and Pam Lovens Bilbrey

Pamela Lovens Bilbrey - December 06, 2025 at 03:38 PM

RH

“ Eddath Karen Sue Merle Regina Tonya and extended families, I haven't any words to describe what you all have meant to me. Growing up I spent many nights in your home always to wake up to Elmers delicious flap jacks as big as a hubcap. It is an honor to know you everyone. I'm so sorry you lost such a great part of your lives. He was a great man. Your friend Randy Head

Randy Head - December 05, 2025 at 04:58 AM

RM

We always enjoyed having you around. Even when you and Merle were getting into mischief. It would be great to see you sometime Randy. There would be a lot to talk about.

Regina Merritt - December 27, 2025 at 09:44 AM

NM

“ Karen, Eddath, Merle & Family,

Im so sorry to hear about your dad. I remember him as a very kind man.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Nola

Nola J Martin - December 04, 2025 at 11:11 PM

MB

“ A good man indeed. He was my uncle and I enjoyed all the memories and good times with him. He always called me “Mis” as an abbreviation for Melissa. I and so heart broken for his wife, his children, grandchildren and his great grandchildren. I wish them with all my love and compassion for them to get through this difficult time and for them to heal❤️❤️

Melissa Burns - December 04, 2025 at 07:47 PM

TV

“ He was always very nice man,when I'd see him at Merles home. Prayers to the family .



Teresa & Bob Virgin - December 04, 2025 at 07:43 PM

PE

“ Always made me feel welcome

peggy - December 04, 2025 at 05:25 PM

CD

“ *Cindy and Steve Dubac purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Elmer Dobson.*



Cindy and Steve Dubac - December 04, 2025 at 05:24 PM

DK

“ *What a good man. Do sorry*

Daniel kincade - December 04, 2025 at 04:15 PM

DK

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Daniel kincade - December 04, 2025 at 04:15 PM