

*God hath not promised  
Skies always blue,  
Flower-strewn pathways  
All our lives through;  
God hath not promised  
Sun without rain,  
Joy without sorrow,  
Peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised  
Strength for the day,  
Rest for the labor,  
Light for the way,  
Grace for the trials,  
Help from above,  
Unfailing sympathy  
Undying love. . .*



**State Law--- Warning Flasher  
Light Must Be Used In  
Funeral Procession.**

IN MEMORY OF  
**Lester Leroy Stockdale**

**BORN**

October 6, 1904, Vernon County, Mo.

**PASSED AWAY**

Monday, July 30, 2007

Greenfield, Missouri

**SERVICES**

10:00 a.m. Friday, August 3, 2007

Sheldon Christian Church, Sheldon, Mo.

**OFFICIANT**

Rev. Andrew Kirschner

**BURIAL**

Paradise Cemetery, Jasper County, Mo.

**CASKETBEARERS**

Truman Stockdale

Jason Stockdale

Jonathan Dwyer

John Stockdale

William Dwyer

Andrew Dwyer

**MUSIC**

Helen Leininger, organist, Eloise Dwyer, pianist

Truman and Elaine Stockdale, Eloise Dwyer,

Marilyn Stockdale, vocalists

**SONG**

When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

Silver Haired Daddy

*Weng Funeral Chapel*  
*Jasper, Missouri*

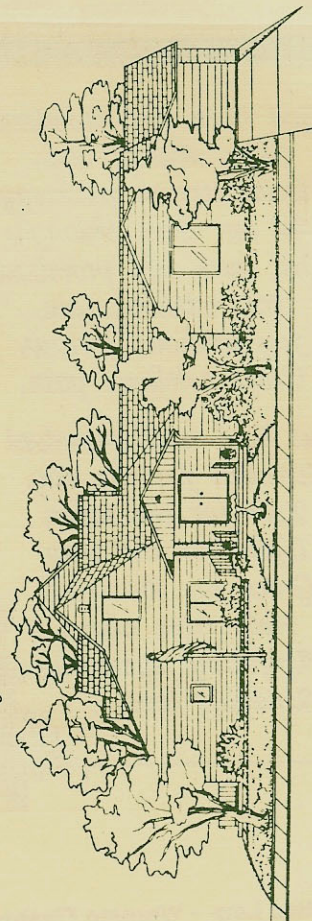
Lester Leroy "Ott" Stockdale was born October 6, 1904 to William T. Stockdale and Lucy Fisher Stockdale in Vernon County, Missouri.

He and his parents lived in rural Vernon County until 1919 and he spent his active life in Barton County, Missouri. Lester passed away July 30, 2007 at the Dade County Nursing Home, Greenfield, Missouri. He lived to the age of 102 years. A celebration of life was held at the Sheldon Christian Church in recognition of his 100th birthday in 2004.

Lester was a farmer and cattle trader. He bought and sold cattle through the Joplin Stockyards and other rural sales and farms. He enjoyed gardening and fishing. He was a member of the Sheldon Christian Church.

He married Armilda Elrod on February 6, 1942 at Carthage, Missouri. They lived and worked together on their family farm Southeast of Sheldon, Missouri for 55 years. Armilda preceded him in death on December 29, 1997. Four children were born of this union. They are Truman, Sharon, John and Eloise. Darwin was born from a previous marriage and also preceded him in death. Lester's survivors include: Truman and Elaine Stockdale of Carinth, Mississippi and their children Tina, Tammy and Traci, Sharon Stockdale of Madera, California. John and Marilyn Stockdale of Sheldon, Missouri and their son Jason. Elosie and William Dwyer of Mountain Home, Arkansas and children Jonathan, Melody and Andrew. Darwin's wife Pauline Stockdale of Reedley, California and his children Dorvin and Gwendolyn. Many great grand children also survive.

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*In Loving Memory*