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Eldon C. Lewis, Ph.D., CPA

Eldon Curtis Lewis passed away peacefully November 18, 2011, at his home in Highland, CA, surrounded by his family. He had suffered from a long-term illness. He was born in Middletown, Missouri, on May 24, 1933, the son of Howard and Maud Lewis.

Eldon received his B.S. from Washburn University, his M.B.A. from the University of Kansas, and his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. He taught and held administrative positions at Washburn University, Wichita State University, West Texas State University (now West Texas State A&M) in Canyon, Texas, and Cal State San Bernardino. He also practiced as a CPA for Fox & Company and Grant Thornton in Denver and Chicago. He served in the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife Stel (Stella) of 55 years and three children and their spouses: Jayne Lewis and husband Brook Thomas of Irvine; Kathleen (Katie) Bowman and husband Blaine of San Diego, and Curtis B. Lewis and wife Roza of Highland. He is also survived by five grandchildren: Peter Thomas, Karlina and Ashlyn Bowman, and Caitlin and Claire Lewis.

Eldon was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Paul and Delano. He was a member of Del Rosa United Methodist Church.

A graveside service will be held at Riverside National Cemetery at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 23, 2011. Bobbitt Memorial Chapel is in charge of services. In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the Redlands Community Hospital



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Anonymous posted:

Dear Mrs. Lewis:Marilyn and I send our condolences on Eldon's passing.He was a highly valued member of the CSUSB campus community for many years. In fact, he stepped into the breach to offer remarkable and needed service as Dean of the College of Business and Public Administration—and he did it twice!!'m sorry that I learned of his passing too late to be at the memorial service, but please know that you, your children, and your grandchildren are in our thoughts. In addition, the College and University wish to develop an excellence fund in Eldon's name.Regards,Albert K. KarnigPresident##imported-begin##Albert K. Karnig##imported-end##

December 12 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Eldon was one of the nicest and most professional colleagues I have had the pleasure of working with and under. I remember him as fair and straight-forward in the way he dealt with faculty. He will be remembered as a true scholar, colleague and good friend. ##imported-begin##Harold Dyck##imported-end##

November 28 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Stel,I was so sad to read of Eldon's death. Since I moved from California in 2006, I hadn't realized that he had been ill. Eldon was a favorite colleague of mine, and he was especially helpful to me when I was vice president for university relations at Cal State.I remember fondly the time you came to our place in Irvine for drinks and then treated us to dinner at P.F. Chang's in Fashion Island. Of course, Eldon and I were both Missourians by birth and Jawhawks by education, so we had several things in common.Glenn joins me in extending sympathy to you and all your family.With warm regards,Judy Rymer##imported-begin##Judy Rymer##imported-end##

November 28 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Don Marshall has informed me of your loss. Eldon was a true friend/colleague/gentleman. We had some great times over the years. Nancy and I enjoyed our times with you and Eldon. Eldon recommended me to Washburn University where is taught 24 years, retiring in 1997. My Nancy died of cancer in 2000. I live alone with one child nearby, one in St. Louis and one in New Orleans.Love, Walt James##imported-begin##Walt James##imported-end##

November 23 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Eldon was a true gentleman & scholar. He was inspirational in his professionalism, integrity and leadership. I pray God's richest blessings on him, his family and all whom may mourn his loss to us, yet whose hearts are as confident as mine that he has simply gone to be with our precious Lord, and serve in some way for the glory of God and His people. May God bless you with his richest treasures as you serve Him more closely now and, thank you, Eldon, for your blessings to us who loved you here, as a colleague and friend. With confidence that we will meet again, with respect, admiration, gratitude, respect and love, your humble friend, Lance. ##imported-begin##Dr Lance Masters##imported-end##

November 22 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Please accept the condolences of the entire Accounting, Economics and Finance Department at West Texas A&M University. I remember Eldon from my days as a student at WT and credit him with ensuing success in academics since one needs people like him to inspire others to pursue our academic careers. I am sure he will be missed by many and please know we are thinking of all of you at this time. James Owens, Professor of Finance and Head, Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance at West Texas A&M University. ##imported-begin##James Owens##imported-end##

November 21 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

May God's peace be with you at this time. I know it is never easy to lose a loved one. Stel, feel free to call on us at any time. ##imported-begin##Tom & Jo Ann Ellis##imported-end##

November 21 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Stel: This comes as a surprise since we were just discussing care for Eldon. Just to offer you my sympathy and let you know I am thinking of you. Jo Ann ##imported-begin##Jo Ann Von Wald##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am truly saddened to hear that Eldon passed away. Eldon was one of the "good guys"...a wonderful professional, a good leader, and a kind and gentle soul. He always knew how to make you feel valued with a comment of thanks for something you had done, or a note of congratulations for a professional accomplishment. He most definitely made the college a better place to be. I felt blessed to have had the opportunity to get to know him and work with him. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. Barb Sirotnik##imported-begin##Barbara Sirotnik##imported-end##

November 21 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Stella, Curt, Jane, and Katielt is so hard to lose a parent. Your dad was such a wonderful man. Always was kind and warm hearted to me. I will always remember him for his wonderful Sunday morning breakfasts! You all were so blessed to have such a loving father.##imported-begin##MICHELLE WENT HUR##imported-end##

November 19 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Eldon was a valuable member of the College of Business and Public Administration. He was a great colleague and a good man. It was an honor to work with and for Eldon, he had immense integrity. ##imported-begin##Victoria Seitz##imported-end##

November 19 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Aunt Stel, Jayne, Katie, Curt and families. My heart goes out to you all with the passing of Uncle Eldon. He was such a gentle man and I have many fond memories of him. I know that this is a hard time for you all, but rejoice in the memories that you have and will always hold in your hearts, Be thankful for the time spent with him and I know that at the end he felt your presence with him. Also know that there was a joyous Lewis celebration when he joined the rest of them in heaven. Keep him alive in your hearts and memories till you meet again. I wish I could be there physically, but know that I am there in heart. Love to all, Laura ##imported-begin##Laura Rice##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Stel, My heart and prayers are with you and your family. It's been years since we've seen each other but your influence in my life has never been forgotten. I hope that peace and comfort find its way to you through God's love. Sincerely, Melissa Smith##imported-begin##Melissa Smith##imported-end##

November 19 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Judge Lewis and Family, We were deeply saddened to hear about the loss of your father. We know he meant the world to you. Just know that our thoughts and prayers go out to you during this difficult time. Our deepest sympathy, Michelle & Bobby ##imported-begin##Raleigh Family##imported-end##

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Eldon by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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