

## John Leighton Elliott

John Leighton Elliott, 55, of Clayton, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Atlanta.

He was previously an executive with Wal-Mart and a reporter for The Clayton Tribune. He attended Warren Wilson College and post graduate classes at Harvard University. He was an elder in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and a member of Rabun County High School Band Boosters.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mattie Elliott of Nebo, N.C.

Survivors include: his wife, Kelly L. Gewinner-Elliott; a son, Bradley Lane Elliott of Clayton; six daughters, Paige Lynn Elliott-Dunne and Jordan Alice Singleton, both of Dahlonaga, Holly Nicole Elliott, a student at Brigham Young University, and Bridget Aileen Elliott, Lauren Renee Elliott and Blair Hope Elliott, all of Clayton; two brothers, Fredrick Elliott of Marion, N.C., and Joe Elliott of Asheville, N.C.; a sister, Alice Elliott Loudermilk of Nebo, N.C.; and a grandchild, Garrett Singleton. He also is survived by Kathleen Carr Alfaro, mother of his children and wife of 23 years.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Beck Funeral Home chapel with Bishop Scott Thompson officiating. Burial followed in Old Fort, N.C.

Beck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. An online memorial register is available at [www.beckfuneralhome.com](http://www.beckfuneralhome.com)

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