In recognition of this anniversary, I have put together this short article built around the name ELVIS. One of Elvis Presley's record albums (circa 1965) was called "Elvis for Everyone!". It struck me that there was probably a logological slant to this album title, unbeknownst to Elvis Presley and the RCA record company at the time. What the album title really meant was that the letters of ELVIS could combine in turn with every one of the 26 letters of the alphabet in turn to form a valid word, name or term.

A sampling of my discoveries is revealed here. I have included obsolete spellings, geographic placenames, and telephone directory entries, just to give a feel as to the extent of the ELVIS add-ons possible. Where a valid Websterian word is shown, I have not attempted to offer a complete list of the obsolete spellings and placenames for the added letter. I have included items which have the same sequence of letters but differ only because of the presence (or absence) of a capital letter, an apostrophe, etc. However, I have striven toward the magic figure of 26. There are no missing letters, although the V and Z examples are rather strained. The list contains exactly one hundred items. What additions? What improvements?

ALIVES (OED) in life, alive
AVILES (W3) debases, vilifies
ELVIAS (Rul) girls named Elvia (listed at Elva)
E VILAS (LT) an initial-plus-surname form
LAIVES (W2) a variant of laves, remainders
SAVILE (Hyam) a surname of 14 notable individuals, the most recent being Bouchier Wrey Savile, an English theological writer who died in 1888
SEIVAL (TIG) a place in Brazil
SILVAE (W3) treatises on the trees of a region
VAILLES (W2) an obsolete spelling of falls, vails, vales and veils
VALISE (W3) a travelling bag
VASILE (TIG) part of the Rumanian placename Vasile Roaia
VLAIES (W3) temporary lakes
BEVILS (OED) the plural of bevi, an 18-19th century variant spelling of bevel, a mason's tool; also, a form of the verb bevel, an 18th century variant of bevel, to cut away or bring to a slope
CLEVIS (W3) a U-shaped piece of metal acting as a connection
CLEIVES (W2) various plants such as the European agrimony and
the common burdock
CLIVES (RHD) boys named Clive
VELICS (OEDS) upper parts of the soft palate facing the nasopharynx
VESICL (W2) a reformed spelling of vesicle, a membranous cavity
DEVILS (W3) malignant spirits
DIVELS (W3) tears asunder
SLIVED (W3) moved furtively, sidled
VEILDS (OED) an obsolete Scots form of fields, brandishes
ELVIES (Rul) girls named Elvie (listed at Elva)
LEVELS (OED) the plural of level, a 16–17th century Scots variant of jave, a rascal
LEIVES (OED) the plural of leive, a 16th century Scots variant of leave, permissions granted to do something
LEIVES (OED) an obsolete plural of leave, dismissal (in a 1508 illustrative quotation "We suld ... gif all larbaris thair leives, quhan thai lak curage")
LEVIES (W3) assessments, duties, taxes
LIEVES (W3) gladly, willingly, freely
SLEIVE (OED) a 16th century Scots spelling of sleeve
SLIEVE (EDD) a mountain
VEILS (OED) the plural of veile, a 17th century spelling of vail, advantage
VESELi (TIG) a place in Czechoslovakia
LIFVES (Str) a 13th century genitive form of life, meaning "of life or lives" (shown at lif)
GIVELS (OED) an obsolete verb meaning heaps up (only givelled, the past participle, exists); alternatively, occurrences of the word givel (citation form plural)
V GILES (LTD) an initial-plus-surname form which occurs several times
ELVIS (W3) mischievous, spiteful
LEVISH (OED) an obsolete variant of lovage, a European herb
SHEVLI (TIG) the name of a place and a river in the former USSR
VISION (W3) a visualizer
J LEVIS (MTD) an initial-plus-surname form
J LEVLS (LTD) an initial-plus-surname form
S VELJ (LTD) an initial-plus-surname form
VELJIS (LTD) persons bearing the surname Velji
V JILEIS (LTD) an initial-plus-surname form
KEVLIS (W2) strong timbers for making fast heavier lines of a vessel
KISLEV (W3) the third month of the civil year in the Jewish calendar
LEVSKI (TIG) a place in Bulgaria
SELVIEK (TIG) the name of an inlet in Iceland
EVILLS (OED) the plural of evil, a 14–16th century variant of evil, a wrong (in a 1590 illustrative quotation "Ther may uppon
dyvers accidents ensue such and so great evills unto your Majestie and Realme"
SEVILL (OED) a 17-18th century spelling of Seville, a city and province of Andalusia, Spain
VEILLES (OED) the plural of weal, a 15 and 17th century spelling of weals, wealths
VILLES (W2) cities, towns
VELIMS (OED) the plural of velum, a kind of parchment (no illustrative quotations actually include this plural form)
VILMES (OED) the plural of vilme, an obsolete spelling of the noun film (although vilme appears as a main entry in the OED, no indication is given of this spelling at film)
ELVINS (OED) the plural of elvin, an 18th century variant of elvan, a type of rock of igneous origin
ELVINS (Rul) boys named Elvin
LEVINS (W3) flashes of lightning
LIVENS (W3) becomes more lively
SELVIN (TIG) a place in Indiana
SLIVEN (CED) a past tense of the verb sliv, to slip
SLIVEN (TIG) a place in Bulgaria
SNEVIL (W2) an obsolete spelling of snivel
SNIVEL (W3) to speak or act in a whining manner
VILNES (OED) the plural of vilne, a 15th century Scots spelling of villainy, evil or wrongdoing (no illustrative quotations actually include this plural form)
VILNES (TIG) a place in Norway
VILSEN (TIG) a place in West Germany
OLIVES (W3) fruits of the olive tree
SOLIVE (CED) a joist or beam of secondary importance
VIOLES (OED) violates
VOILES (W3) fine soft sheer fabrics
PELVIS (W3) a basin-shaped structure in the skeleton
QVILES (Str) the plural of the noun qvile, a 15-16th century spelling of hwile, itself an early form of while, a period of time (shown at hwile)
LEVIRS (W2) brothers-in-law
LIVERS (W3) large glandular organs found in vertebrates
LIVRES (W3) former French units of value worth a pound of silver
RIVELS (W3) wrinkles, shrivels
SILVER (W3) a chemical element
SIRVEL (TIG) a place in India
SLIVER (W3) a splinter, a fragment
SILVES (W2) the plural of silve, an obsolete spelling of self
SILVEST (W3) most physically repulsive
VILEST (W3) most physically repulsive
VILETS (OED) the plural of vilet, a 16th century variant of violet,
a plant or flower of the genus Viola (in a 1598 illustrative quotation "Roses and violet's strow'ing")

VI'LETS (OED) the plural of vi'let, a 17-19th century spelling of violet, a plant or flower of the genus Viola (in a 1697 illustrative quotation "He spoils the Saffron Flow'rs, he sips the Blues Of Vi'lets")

VILTES (OED) the plural of vilete, a 13-15th century spelling of violety, vileness (no illustrative quotations actually include this plural form)

VITELS (W2) an obsolete spelling of victuals

ELVIUS (Hyam) Peter Elvius was a Swedish mechanic and astronomer (1710-1759)

VELIUS (Hyam) Theodore Velius was a Dutch historian and poet (1572-1630)

VISUEL (W2) a visualizer

VIVEL'S (TIG) the possessive form of Vivel, which occurs in the placename Vivel del Rio Martin, a place in Spain

LEWIS V (Hyam) the title of two rulers: Emperor of Bavaria (1287-1347), King of France (967-987)

SWIVEL (W3) to swing or turn

WEEVILS (W2) a variant spelling of weevils, beetles

WIVELS (OED) the plural of wivel, a 16-17th century spelling of weevil, a kind of beetle (no illustrative quotations actually include this plural form)

WEXILS (W2) large upper posterior petals in a pea flower

VLIXES (EDD) the plural of vlîx, a form of fîx, the flax, Linum usitatissimum

SIVYLE (W2) an obsolete spelling of civil

ZLIVES (OED) the OED lists 'ZLIFE (note the leading apostrophe) at the main entry 'Z, and Z'LIFE (note the differently-positioned apostrophe) at the main entry ZLEAD. Disregarding the position of the apostrophe, ZLIFE is an exclamation meaning "God's life"; it could be argued that ZLIVES is the plural form, meaning "different occurrences of the exclamation ZLIFE"

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MTD Merton Telephone Directory, 1990
OED Oxford English Dictionary
OEDS Oxford English Dictionary Supplement
RHD Random House Dictionary
Rul Name Your Baby, by Lareina Rule
Str A Middle English Dictionary, by Francis Stratmann
TIG The Times Index Gazetteer of the World