



## Elvin "Ed" Franklin Bishop

October 27, 1953 - June 10, 2023

Elvin "Ed" Franklin Bishop of Belleview, MO, entered into rest on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at the age of 69 years, 7 months, and 14 days. He was born October 27, 1953, in St. Louis, MO to the late George and Patricia (Cody) Saffa.

On June 27, 1998, Ed was united in marriage to Shelley (Alert) Bishop who survives. To this union two sons were born, Beau Bishop of Salem, MO and Skyler Bishop of Belleview, MO, both of whom survive.

Also surviving Ed are four brothers, Johnny Saffa, Steve Saffa, Matt Saffa, and George Saffa; four sisters, Georgia Saffa, Mary Catherine Lawson, Tammy Sholbe, and Margaret Kanaday; and many more loving family members and friends.

He is preceded in rest by his parents.

Ed was a hard worker all his life; as a boy he started his first job mowing lawns, and went on to serve in the Merchant Marines in port New Orleans, dock manager for Yellow Freight in his 20's, owned and operated his own business Time Savers Assembly and Delivery in his 30's, and after selling his business and moving to Belleview in 1995, he and Shelley owned and operated their own business, Furniture Warehouse in Caledonia, MO and Park Hills, MO from 1998 to 2019.

When Ed wasn't working to provide for his family, he enjoyed several hobbies which included organic gardening which was an everyday job, fixing things around the family farm because there was always something breaking on the

farm, watching all kinds of different movies, reading alternative theory and Stephen King books, and just living in the country enjoying the peace and quiet with his family which he loved so much.

Ed was a loving husband, father, and friend, and will be missed by all who were blessed to know and love him.

A Visitation for friends to gather will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023, beginning at 11:00 am and lasting until 1:00 pm from the Cole Family Funeral Home.

A Celebration of Life will be held following the Visitation on Saturday, June 17, 2023, beginning at 1:00 pm from the Cole Family Funeral Home.

Mike McGee and George Saffa will be officiating the services.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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210 E Reynolds St  
Ironton, MO 63650  
(573) 546-0742

## Celebration of Life

JUN 17. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elvin "Ed" Franklin Bishop.*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elvin "Ed" Franklin Bishop.

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