



Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka

February 14, 1959 - October 6, 2025

Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka was born in Springfield, Missouri, on February 14, 1959, to Dr. Ron and Nancy (Minor) Silvius. She attended Kickapoo High School, in Springfield, Missouri, graduating class of 1977. She was employed by the Bolivar R-1 School District in the positions of BPS office, Print Shop, BIS Food Service Cashier, and Little Libs Childcare where she retired after 25+ years of service.

After a few years of staying home, she missed working, so she found her dream job at Learn Love Leap Daycare in the "Baby Room" until her health no longer permitted her to work. She enjoyed mowing her yard, cheering for Patrick Mahomes and the Kansas City Chiefs, and caring for ALL the kids who knew her as Ms. Liz. She also enjoyed going to concerts and casinos, and her favorite thing of all was "getting the family together." Liz will be remembered for her loving kindness, friendliness, caring, ditzy, never-knew-a-stranger personality. She truly was one of a kind.

Jon Mark Francka was born in Springfield, Missouri, on August 25, 1966, to Jerry & Joyce (Inglis) Francka. He attended Pleasant Hope High School graduating class of 1984. He was employed at Conco Companies in Springfield, Missouri. Jon worked there for 25 years until he left to care for his wife. He was a member of the Teamsters Union, Treasurer of the Brighton Cemetery, and participated in multiple poker runs for charity, including his

favorite, Toys for Tots. Jon was saved as a young man. He enjoyed many of the same hobbies and activities as Liz including watching his grandchildren play sports, watching the Kansas City Chiefs, going to casinos and concerts, and riding his Harley. Jon will be remembered for his many jokes, pranks, and funny drawings he put in every card he gave.

Liz & Jon met each other in 2000 through mutual friends, and were then married on July 14, 2001, in Bolivar. They both loved going on trips, including: Sturgis, Bikes, Blues and BBQ with their friends, and several vacations with family. You hardly ever saw one without the other.

Liz is preceded in death by her mother Nancy Silvius. Jon is preceded in death by his parents, Jerry & Joyce Francka and infant son, Justin Caleb Francka.

They are survived by Ron Silvius, their children: Matt & Erin Francka, Danielle & Cole Emmons, Ally & Josh Murray, Martina Francka, and Mallory Francka, grandchildren: Jacey Francka, Knox Francka, Ryker Murray, Raiden Murray, Madden Francka, Kambree Francka, Blu Francka, Micah Francka and four grand-dogs. They are also survived by their siblings: Susie & Dale Gormley, Tammy & Rick Davis, Shelly Francka, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A visitation for Jon and Liz will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Monday, October 13, 2025, at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at Butler Funeral Home with burial to follow at Brighton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Toys for Tots, or to Brighton Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Celebration Of Life

OCT 14. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside

OCT 14 (AKT)

Brighton Cemetery

Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Scott & Katie Bockman purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.*



Scott & Katie Bockman - October 13, 2025 at 03:22 PM

LS

“ *1 file added to the album Liz*



Leah Stowe - October 13, 2025 at 12:42 AM

AC

“ *Axel Christiernsson purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.*



Axel Christiernsson - October 10, 2025 at 01:27 PM

SS

“ *I loved working at Bolivar Schools with Liz. She was fun and full of energy!*

Sandy Schrader - October 10, 2025 at 10:49 AM

LL

“ When I think of Liz Franzka, i always remember her smile and friendly outlook on things at work. I was a young, male teacher at Bolivar Primary School, back then known as Leonard Elementary school. I taught 5th grade. When I needed something to help me with teaching my kids, I knew I could count on Liz to help me. All I needed to do was ask. She was always busy trying to do things for 40 teachers in one building, so I knew to give her time and she'd get it done for me. I only knew Liz at our work at school, but I will always remember her as a sweet, sweet lady.
See you in Heaven some day Liz. Friends and family miss you already here on earth.
Lance Lovelace,
retired Bolivar teacher

Lance Lovelace - October 09, 2025 at 05:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.



October 09, 2025 at 11:36 AM

EB

“ Empire Guys and Beth purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.



Empire Guys and Beth - October 09, 2025 at 09:21 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.



October 08, 2025 at 12:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.

October 08, 2025 at 12:49 PM



“ Perfect peace is yours now. I loved you Liz, my sweet funny Valentine. I said the first time I saw you I wanted a daughter just like you. Don't forget your "lick stick".
Aunt Suzanne

Suzanne Drennon - October 08, 2025 at 12:33 PM



“ With Love, The Sloans purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Anne Francka.



With Love, The Sloans - October 07, 2025 at 07:55 PM

PA

“ *Liz was the sweetest person I have ever known. We spent a lot of time together and I will cherish our memories. We met in high school and were friends ever since. She will be greatly missed. My sincere condolences to all her family.*

Patrice - October 07, 2025 at 07:21 PM