



Jon Mark Francka

August 25, 1966 - 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

Cemetery Details

Brighton Cemetery

1618 MO-215
Brighton, MO 65617-7128
(417) 376-2463

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

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Tribute Wall

B2

“ Bryan Emory, Teamsters Local 245 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jon Mark Francka.

Bryan Emory, Teamsters Local 245 - October 13, 2025 at 12:26 PM

B2

“ Bryan Emory, Teamsters Local 245 purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jon Mark Francka.



Bryan Emory, Teamsters Local 245 - October 13, 2025 at 12:26 PM

RJ

“ Randy & Karen Fryman and Randy Jr purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jon Mark Francka.



Randy & Karen Fryman and Randy Jr - October 12, 2025 at 07:15 PM

AC

“ Axel Christiernsson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jon Mark Francka.



Axel Christiernsson - October 10, 2025 at 01:11 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jon Mark Francka.* ”



October 09, 2025 at 02:17 PM