



William "Billy" Bishop

August 8, 1968 - February 19, 2025

William Allen Bishop "Billy", 56, of Bowling Green, MO, left this earth for his heavenly home on Wednesday, February 19th 2025. He was born on August 8th 1968 in Ottawa IL. The child of Helen Ann (King) and Melvin Edward "Eddie" Bishop

Growing up he was very mischievous and stayed in trouble, I know you all will find that hard to believe or he would start it & have Wayne finish it. Billy attended the local schools and later graduated from Bowling Green High School. After graduation he enlisted into the US Navy and became a Mechanist Mate Auxiliary on a submarine in which he spent 4 years on. After getting an honorable discharge he began to work odd jobs and became a security guard for Pinkerton Security at General Motors in Wentzville, MO. During that time working security he decided to go to college and get an Associate's degree in business and later go back for his Bachelors. Within a few years he applied at the Northeast Correctional Center for men in Bowling Green, MO. There he worked several years and finally realized this was the career choice for him, later he transferred to the WERD Correctional Center for women in Vandalia, MO where he soon learned this place may be a little harder than the men's prison. After some time, Billy quit there to seek other options. In 2021 Billy returned back to WERD Correctional Center and on the nights he didn't work at the prison he worked at the Southside Bar and Grill in Bowling Green as a bouncer, yes I said bouncer. He was a huge sports fan who loved the St. Louis Rams, St. Louis Cardinals, and his Fantasy Football

team. He also enjoyed playing basketball and being on softball leagues. Billy will be deeply missed by so many, he was a hard worker, loved his family, and had a huge heart.

He is survived by 1 brother, Wayne Bishop of Louisiana MO, 1 bonus sister Kim (Kevin) Zumwalt of Troy, MO, several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family and many many friends. He is also survived by special friends Allen, Cora, and son Jordin Bennett, all his DOC friends from both prisons and Southside Bar and Grill.

Billy is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held on Saturday March 1st 2025 at the Calvary gospel Church, 19808 US Hwy 54, Summer Hill, IL. 62363 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for viewing of pictures and paying respects, his wish was to be cremated. A Memorial Service will follow at 12:00 p.m. by Honor Guards from Dept. of Corrections & Rev. Mark Sheppard Officiating. From there Billy will return home to Camp Butler cemetery in Springfield IL. to his final resting place. Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO was in charge of cremation rites.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Calvary Gospel Church
19808 US Hwy 54
Summer Hill, IL 62363

Memorial Service

MAR 1. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy be with his family. God speed ahead Billy ,hugs and friends*



Tammi Ries Mcpike - February 28, 2025 at 10:13 PM

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“ *Elenora (Traynor)Lobb lit a candle in memory of William "Billy" Bishop*



Elenora (Traynor)Lobb - February 25, 2025 at 10:58 PM

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He was a great nephew to know n have, we will greatly miss him

Elenora (Traynor)Lobb - February 25, 2025 at 11:00 PM

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“ *You have deepest condolences! Jeri Smith*



Jeri Smith - February 24, 2025 at 11:45 AM