



## Michael Joseph Lewis Sr.

December 29, 1954 - January 25, 2022

Michael Joseph Lewis Sr., 67, of Columbia, Missouri passed away on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at his home. Memorial service will be held Saturday, February 5, 2022, at 2:00 PM at Missouri United Methodist Church in Columbia, Missouri.

Michael Joseph Lewis Sr. was born December 29, 1954, in St. Louis, MO the son of Shirley Lewis. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and served in the Vietnam War. He married Susanne Kay Jones on September 12, 1974.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Susanne Lewis of Columbia, Mo his son Michael Joseph Lewis Jr. of Columbia, MO, one daughter Amelia Lewis-Allen (Marzell) of Columbia, MO, five sisters Christine Ellebracht, Margaret Bequett, Candy Ketcherside, Georgia Sherborne and Peggy Gorton, two brothers John Frantz and Edward Ketcherside and his grandchildren Olivia Lewis, Mable Lewis, Stephen French, Alexanderia Shuster, Amber Lewis, and Cody Lewis and his great granddaughter Aria Shuster.

He was preceded in death by his mother and two brothers.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **5**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Missouri United Methodist Church  
204 S. 9th Street  
Columbia, MO 65201

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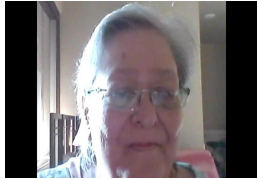


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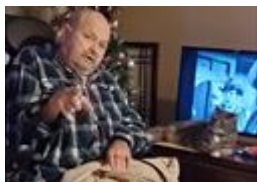


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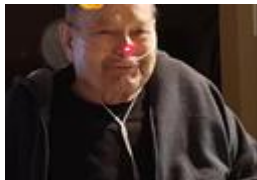
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“ *Nothing meant more to Michael than family. There was no limit to what he would do for those he loved. Not everything was the "right" thing, but rest assured, it always came from his heart.*

*He did not have a safe or happy childhood and often felt unloved by caregivers. He never felt acceptance by some of them. But for the ones that loved him, he held the highest regard for. To others, they referred to him as a "bastard son". To them I would say, he did have a father, that even his own mother would not divulge to him. His father came to meet his son, only to be run off by his grandfather. He not only knows his father now, but he is with him TODAY, in Paradise.*

*Just days before his passing, he finally had an opportunity to speak to his sister Carol, now known as Peggy, after being adopted out of his family. He knew his end was near and wanted one last chance to speak to her for the first time. He told her that he'd missed her all his life and thought he would never talk to her until they get to the other side. This brought him, much needed peace.*

*Michael was removed from his mothers' care at an early age, for severe abuse/neglect from a stepfather. He was hospitalized and his grandmother was given custody. She found a young boy in her neighborhood and introduced him to Michael so that when he was discharged, he would have a buddy to show him around and teach him the ropes. Michael loved him as a brother. His name was John Ellebracht. Exactly one week prior to Mike passing, John passed. When Mike was struggling to quit fighting so hard, I told Mike that John left first so he could be there to show him around and teach him the ropes.*

*I believe this brought Mike much comfort, as it did me as well. Both John, and Mike were great men who always put family first. I am comforted that they are together, as family was their priorities.*

*Michael, in his recent months, was at peace with passing. His only regret was leaving his family. He voiced his forgiveness for all and shared this with as many as he could. He wishes all of them comfort in knowing this.*

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“ *My Dad LOVED his family!*



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