



**Sweatman, Steven Douglas**

November 25, 1969 — January 22, 2023

Independence, MO

Graveside services for Steven Douglas Sweatman, 53, of Independence, Missouri, formerly of Bridgeport, TX, will be at 3 pm Sunday, January 29, 2023, at Willow Point Cemetery in Bridgeport. He passed away suddenly on Sunday, January 22,



2023.

Steve was born in the Raymond W. Bliss Army Hospital in Sierra Vista, AZ, to Roy and Cheryl (Phillips) Sweatman. He grew up in Bridgeport on his family homestead, where his mother still resides. He graduated high school in Bridgeport and then served in the United States Army. Steve was proud of his time served in the Army and was always placing the needs of his country first. He spent the majority of his working career as an over-the-road truck driver; several of those years he was employed by Lockheed Martin. Steve also worked for Bridgeport Tank Trucks for eight years. His last position was with Ryder in Liberty, Missouri, where he felt welcomed and was treated like family by the staff, he enjoyed his position there.

In his spare time, he enjoyed tinkering around the house and was an exceptional handyman. He would always help the family with any projects they were working on. Steve loved to teach his kids how to do projects, from plumbing to home remodeling. He had a passion for riding his motorcycle and watching football. The Dallas Cowboys and Kansas City Chiefs were his passion. In addition, Steve was an exceptional cook; smoking meats and cooking for his family were always some of his favorite things to do.

Family was most important to Steve; he was a devoted husband, father, son, brother, and friend. He married the love of his life, Leslie Suzanne Warger, on June 10, 2013, in Bridgeport.

Those left to cherish his memory are his mother Cheryl Sweatman; wife Leslie Sweatman; children Jennifer Sweatman, Austin Carrick and wife, Shae, Alexys Warger, Brianna Bonewitz and Christopher Sweatman; sister, Kristy Whisenant and husband, Lowell; in-laws Maria and Michael Gaines; brother-in-law Jeffery Warger and wife, Sarah; sister-in-law Jennie Warger; his grandson and the apple of his eye, Ezra, and one on the way; best friend for over 30 years, Robert Noe; and many nieces and nephews including Jessi Whisenant.

He is preceded in death by his father Roy Sweatman and father-in-law Jeffery Warger.

His furry four-legged family includes Tobsi, his cat that he loved dearly and four other cats, and two dogs. He was an animal lover, and never met one that wasn't taken to him.

Steve will be greatly missed by his family; you can never replace such a beautiful soul.

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