



## Ken Franklin

February 8, 1959 - October 9, 2024

Kenneth Ray Franklin, 65 of West Jefferson, passed away unexpectedly October 9, 2024.

Ken loved guitars and making music with his friends. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Bonnie Franklin and his sister Anita.

Survivors include his wife of 18 years, Sherry Franklin; his son, Billy Goolsby and wife Laurie; grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Skyler Goolsby; brothers, Bob, David and Dennis and his sister, Bonnie.

Cremation services are being provided. No services are scheduled at this time.

New Horizon Funeral Home 205-648-2323

# Tribute Wall

SF

“ You may be gone physically, but the memories we had together will be with me always. You were my ray of sunshine , you gave the biggest bear hugs when I needed them the most, you always had encouraging words that gave me strength when I needed it. You had the softest shoulders to cry on. You were everything I needed in a partner .

Though months have passed,the loneliness is a constant reminder of the incredible pain in my heart and what an impact you had on my life. I know time is supposed to heal all wounds, but I don't know if mine will ever be healed.

I love you forever and always.

10-9-2024

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**Sherry Franklin** - May 09, 2025 at 09:40 AM

SF

“ Today is 6months . The breakdown of time that I've counted by weeks, days, hours, minutes and seconds has my heart more broken than ever. This was suppose to be our years together after we finally got to retire and enjoy life . You were taken way to soon for that to happen and retirement to me has not been the least been enjoyable.

You were my partner,my champion, my love , my best friend and most of all an amazing loving husband who I cherished and miss every day.

I love you . Your loving wife

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**Sherry Franklin** - April 09, 2025 at 07:58 AM

SF

“ Five months ago today I had to say goodbye.

To say the least , I've had some very trying times.

The experience of losing a spouse is completely different from any other that I have had to go through.

Our love we had , the memories shared ,fun times,sad times,quiet times, it was all good because we were together and knew we had one another.

Now as it stands, this is life for me, OUR MEMORIES.

I Love you, Forever & Always

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Sherry Franklin - March 09, 2025 at 12:11 PM

SF

“ February 8th , you my love will be spending your 66th birthday with our precious Jesus.

Also, Jesus gets to celebrate our 18th anniversary with you. I know that you can not be here with me ,but I do feel your presence around .

I still cry for you . I have many bad days.

I think of you constantly. You were and always will be the love of my life.

Happy Heavenly Birthday and Anniversary my

Sweet Boo.

I love you. Forever and Always

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Sherry Franklin - February 07, 2025 at 09:03 PM

SF

“ *Another month without my Boo.  
3 months has been an eternity to me.  
The tears I cry, the loneliness I have and pain in my heart is still as strong as the day you left me behind.  
I thought as days pass the heaviness of my pain would lift a little but I believe its only got worse.  
Our home that we called our forever has now become a structure with walls.  
I realize now without my forever partner nothing will ever be the same.  
As always, I Love You Forever & Always*

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**Sherry Franklin** - January 08, 2025 at 04:05 PM

SF

“ *Today marks two months of life without you.  
I'm sure family and friends probably believe by now my life may make more sense to me but it does not. The days and nights are just as miserable now as they were in the beginning of this nightmare.  
I'm sure in time, it will get better, but right now, the pain of losing you has been hard to handle.  
Your sweet pea! Forever & Always.*



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**Sherry Franklin** - December 09, 2024 at 07:55 PM

SF

“ My darling husband. A month has past since you've gained your wings and the saddeness and tears are still very strong each passing day.  
I tell you good morning each day and to watch over your sweet pea . I tell you good night before bed and that I love you just as we always did.  
My days are long, but nights are even longer.  
I'm still being very selfish and wishing you didn't have to leave me so soon because I want here.  
I Love You. Forever & Always

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**Sherry Franklin** - November 09, 2024 at 02:00 PM

JH

“ I first met Ken, back in early 93 where we worked for Saunder's. We became friends right away and stayed in touch since then. He was a great friend and will be missed. He had a great desire for music, we spent many hours jamming together. Prayers to the family.

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**Joey Howard** - October 15, 2024 at 02:16 PM

LG

“ Ken was a very kind and generous man who will be missed greatly by his family .

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**Laurie Goolsby** - October 12, 2024 at 10:53 PM

SF

“ *To the love of my life.  
My days and nights will never be the same. You made me laugh,  
you knew when I was sad and needed a hugged , you knew when I  
needed space, you knew everything about me.  
My world is now turned upside down because you my love are no  
longer here.  
You were my friend, my love, my partner in life.  
I am so very thankful for the 18 years that I did have with you, but I  
am selfish and want at least 18 more.  
I Love you . FOREVER AND ALWAYS.*

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**Sherry Franklin** - October 11, 2024 at 04:38 PM

BS

*Mom I'm so very sorry for your loss, if I could take your pain away I  
would in a second. We loved him and we all know he definitely loved  
you... this will definitely be a difficult, painful, challenging change in  
your life but your family is here for you as much as you allow us to  
be!... I understand your wanting him here with you but just remember,  
he is now out of pain in which he has lived with for years and he is  
most definitely in a better place!!... We love you!*

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**Billy Goolsby (Ken Franklins s.son)** - October 12, 2024 at 10:59 PM

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*I can't imagine having had gone through such a tragedy without you,  
Laurie and Sandra in my corner as ya'll have been. I have got the most  
wonderful, caring, supportive family anyone could ever have.  
I do know that Ken had been in a lot of pain and I so grateful at the end  
that he did not suffer.  
I just miss him so.*

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**Sherry Franklin** - October 14, 2024 at 09:29 PM

SS

“ *Ken was my brother in law who loved my sister like none other. He  
was fun to be around, quick witted. I will miss him terribly.*

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**Sandra Shaw** - October 11, 2024 at 04:36 PM