



Edward Dale Griffin

February 13, 1950 - August 14, 2022

Edward Dale Griffin, age 72, of Halltown, MO passed away on Sunday, August 14, 2022. He was born in Doniphan, MO on Monday, February 13, 1950; the son of Paul and Mildred (Farmer) Griffin. Mr. Griffin served in the US Navy where he was a cook.

Surviving are the following: two sons, Brian (Kimberley) Griffin of Billings, MO and Brant (Courtney) Griffin of Ozark, MO; two sisters, Myrna Trent and Vickie Fry; one brother, Lyn Griffin; long-time friend, Ginny Newcomb; and six grandchildren (with one on the way).

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2022, at 6:00 PM at Springfield Elks Lodge #409 (2223 E. Bennett St. Springfield, MO 65804). Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City, MO.

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Dale Griffin*

October 09, 2023 at 08:34 AM

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“ To Dale’s family and friends.

I hope this letter gives you a smile or two.

Dale and I met in Key West when we were assigned to the USS Howard Gilmore. We became pretty good friends and shared an apartment for awhile. He was always entertaining. I remember the time I walked in the door and he was rebuilding a Honda motorcycle in the livingroom. Another time, he had jam session going on with some other shipmates. Dale had a double neck guitar and for one song, one guy was playing the rhythm while Dale leaned over his shoulder to play the bass strings. Several of us spent a lot of time at the beach. The snorkeling was great.

Another time he bought a Dodge Dart and fixed a few mechanical issues and had it painted. He still had it when the Navy sent our ship to the shipyards. A bunch of us had cars and drove from Key West to the shipyard in Mobile That was a sight with all the those cars, and at least one trailer loaded to the max.


Dale’s enlistment ended just before the ship was sent to Italy, so he went home and I got to to Italy. I hadn’t forgotten about Dale, and when I got home about nine months later, I gave him a call, and we were able to get in touch again. He was married by then. We visited a few times before I moved farther away and it wasn’t quite as easy to visit. But, I asked him to be a groomsman when I got married and he, of course, showed up on motorcycle. Work, distance and raising families caused our friendship to get pushed back, but did end it. We had tentative plans to go to Texas to see another Key West shipmate that was delayed by Covid.

I’m sorry I can’t get to Dale’s Celebration of Life. Along with you, he will be missed by Patty and me.

*Al Hornbeck
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Al Hornbeck - August 24, 2022 at 04:55 PM

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“ We miss  you now & forever Dale.
Thank you for all the good times & wonderful
music. Condolences & prayers to all ur family,
friends and loved ones.



Jane Hout - August 19, 2022 at 09:53 PM

PS

“ Pat Schroff lit a candle in memory of Edward
Dale Griffin



Pat Schroff - August 16, 2022 at 04:01 AM

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“ Such a beautiful soul has been taken from our
family. I love you brother and will forever miss
you. Love sissy.



myrna trent - August 15, 2022 at 03:53 PM