



## William (Bill) Edward Haynes

October 7, 1944 - February 18, 2022

William (Bill) Haynes of Indep, MO passed away surrounded by loved ones February 18, 2022. Bill was born in Evansville, IN. He served in the U.S. Air Force from October 1965 to February 1969. He married Brenda Denton his wife of 54 years December 24, 1967, they had two children Tina (Tim) Presely and Gene (Jessica) Haynes. He worked for Lipton Tea as a supervisor for 27 years in the Wishbone Division. He also leaves behind two siblings Robert (Sean) Haynes and Kathie (Del) Woolery along with 8 grandchildren and 10 1/2 great grandchildren and many other nieces and nephews. Family lore is he taught Elvis to play the guitar even though none of us ever saw him play. The family request donations in his honor be made to the American Heart association instead of flowers. Services will be at a later date.

# Comments

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“ How does one share a memory for a brother when there are so many memories swirling around all at once. Now that Dad and Mom are no longer here, it's probably ok to mention a few of them. He was my big brother and we did all the brotherly things, some of which were not (thinking back on it) our best ideas. There was that one episode when we were teenagers that involved cherry vodka. Bill bought it. I drank it. It wasn't pretty. I remember lying on the ground holding on to clumps of grass so I wouldn't fly off into space. But still able to drive (no fooling'), we ended up skidding Bill's red and white Ford into a yard on Blue Ridge, escaping only after a couple more donuts and, a bit wobbly, headed home. Bill said we can't tell Mom or Dad or they'd kill us. Cherry vodka notwithstanding, I trusted him. Bill was four years older than I was and someone I looked up to and admired. He could be serious and playful at the same time. Bill had a gift of weaving a story so believably you never questioned credibility or authenticity. So when legend has it that Bill taught Elvis to play the guitar, I have no doubt that he visited Forrest and his mom that day, showing Elvis chords on the Gibson while Forrest demonstrated a few dance moves.

**Bob Haynes** - February 24 at 12:37 PM

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“ My kids always thought of him as the mean old man! He had a look on his face that could always control them my son now is 40 and said he's one of the nicest man he's ever known! He will be missed!

**Joie Leonard** - February 21 at 07:00 PM

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