



## Mr. Curtis Eric Pankey

June 21, 1978 - February 26, 2019

Curtis Eric Pankey was born in Springfield, Missouri on June 21, 1978 the son of Robert and Winnie Pankey. He died at Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Missouri on February 26, 2019 with his Mom, Uncle Jerry, Cousins Karen and Lannis, Pastor Rod, Partner Bruce Smith, and loving neighbor (AKA Sister) Shayla Fisher by his side.

Curtis was preceded in death by his Dad Robert, Brother David, Grandma and Grandpa Pankey (Elsie and Carl), Grandma and Grandpa Doty (Thelma and Harold), Uncles Larry Doty, Kenny Doty, Raymond Middleton, Dee Hedgepath, Hollis Atterberry, Aunts Diane Doty, Evelyn Atterberry, Jean Pankey, Cousins Andy Atterberry and Dylan Hedgepath. He is survived by his Mom Winnie Pankey, Aunts Barbara Hedgepath, Irene Brown and Husband Jerry, and Judy Middleton, Uncles Bill Pankey, Lanny Doty and Jerry Doty. His loving dog Kasper.

Curtis was a Master Mason of Fellowship Lodge #345 and Scottish Rite member in Joplin, Missouri and a member of Buffalo Chapter #446 Order of the Eastern Star. He grew up in Bolivar, Missouri following his schooling he worked in Springfield at Expedia Traveling Co later moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma and worked for a traveling company and became manager of his team. He was saved and baptized at Berean Baptist Church of Bolivar. Curtis loved computers and his Red Dodge Car. Curtis was a very happy young man with a smile and would always do anything for you especially when it came to computers or cellphones.

Funeral Services will be 2:30 P.M. Friday March 1, 2109 in the Cantlon Otterness & Viets Funeral Home in Buffalo with Pastor Rod Campbell officiating. Music will be "Go Rest High On That Mountain", "I'm Going Home", "Peace in the Valley" and "Just A Rose Will Do". Pallbearers will be Daryl Keuehne, Tony Middleton, DJ Pankey, Daniel Hatfield, Travis Doty, and Lance Doty. Honorary Pallbearers will be Danny Brown, Steven Doty, Dale Doty, Ted Medlin, Todd Middleton, and Terry Hedgepath. Burial will be in the Memorial Gardens of Memory Cemetery under the direction of the Cantlon Otterness & Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo. Visitation will be 2:00 p.m. Friday March 1, 2019. In Lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Shriners Hospital St. Louis and to [give.marfan.org](http://give.marfan.org)

# Cemetery Details

## **Memorial Gardens of Memory**

1510 N. Ash Street  
Buffalo, MO 65622

# Tribute Wall



“ It was the first time I had ever met Curtis. My grandmother passed away the Tuesday after Memorial Day in 2005. I was asked to come up to Springfield, MO, and as I walked on by, he said, "Nice Trill Spots, Dax! I've always wanted to meet you." He became my first ever true love. I am saddened that he is gone, but not forgotten. I'm glad he was loved. He had an amazing family, and was proud to have a Shriner's brother!

Heath Behrens - June 03 at 12:39 AM



“ Mr. Curtis Eric Pankey

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ Mr. Curtis Eric Pankey

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



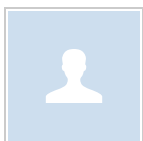
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“ Mr. Curtis Eric Pankey

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM

 Lizzie Kuehne

“ *I am going to miss my uncle Curtis! He is now rejoined with my daddy! Miss you guys!!*



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**Lizzie Kuehne** - February 28, 2019 at 01:07 PM

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“ *Curtis was a proud member of the LGBTQ+ community. He advocated for rights and was proud of the man he became. Curtis will be missed. Acceptance needs to be a part of who he is in death just as it was in life. Rest In Peace my friend. May angels surround him, and saints welcome him in peace.*

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**Kristie F** - February 28, 2019 at 08:49 AM

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*He was my ever first boyfriend! He is gone but not forgotten, even as we are approaching his 48th amazing birthday. I'm sure he's still racing his Dodge Avengers up in Heaven!*

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**Heath Behrens** - June 03 at 12:47 AM