



## Kenny Shupe

February 25, 1939 - March 20, 2025

Respected Farmer, Former Eminence School Board Member, and Devoted Family Man of Little Point, Kenneth Eugene Shupe, was released of living with Alzheimer's at the age of 86 and completed his earthly journey at 4:30am, on Thursday, March 20, 2025, while in the care of Danville Regional Rehabilitation. He was born on February 25, 1939, in Cicero, Indiana, to the late Fred and Evalena (Davidson) Shupe.

Kenny was born at home and into a life of farming. The Shupes were originally from Nebraska and migrated to Eminence after the dustbowl and the farming operation Kenny established continues into the third generation. The quieter of the two locally known Shupe male prodigies, Kenny grew up with three siblings Beulah, Marlin, and Neta Belle. He graduated from Eminence High School with the class of 1957. Taking up an interest and pursuing the winter sport, Kenny played basketball in high school, where he was coached and mentored by the late Billy Mac Fisher.

With farming deeply rooted and encoded into his DNA, Kenny furthered his studies in agriculture for a year at Purdue University. Falling for the young girl whose parents owned the local grocery store, Kenny and Linda Lou Curtis went together throughout her high school career and were united in marriage on October 12, 1962. Embarking on a lifelong love story, Kenny and Linda were blessed to share in nearly 66 years of life together. The proud father of

two sons, Todd and Troy, Kenny was above all a faithful husband, supportive father, and adored grandfather. A real-life hero and exemplary role model to stand for his country and belonging to a close-knit community, Kenny actively served in the Army National Guard and as an Eminence school board member for many years. Faithful, patient, and dedicated to the life of farming, love for family, and holding strong to his faith, Kenny and Linda are members of Olive Christian Church. A true gentleman, Kenny and Linda enjoyed riding motorcycles and taking the boys on family boating trips. Seasoned in experience and wisdom, his guilty pleasures included a cold Pepsi and escaping from life on the farm to enjoy the beach at Fort Myers, Florida. He was proud of his 1952 Chevy truck and amassed a large collection of John Deere toy tractors. A tapestry woven with sun, soil, and sweat, Kenny selflessly planted a legacy of love that will grow in the hearts of generations to come. A life etched in the furrows of the land, it is with the humblest of kindred spirits, Kenneth Eugene Shupe's memory will continue to grow.

Survivors include his loving wife of 62 years, Linda Lou (Curtis) Shupe of Little Point; sons, Michael "Todd" Shupe (Susan) of Little Point and Troy Dean Shupe; brother, Marlin Shupe of Hall; grandchildren, Tyler Dean Shupe (Matt) of Eminence, Jordon Michael Shupe (Ashley) of Fillmore, Grant Matthew Shupe (Ashtyn) of Little Point; great-grandchildren, Oakley, Hadley, Harper, Cooper, Henry Kenneth, Qaed and Tate. Former daughter-in-law, Trisha Bruce (Ben) of Cloverdale and their son, Clayton Bruce (Seth) of Cloverdale.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his two sisters, Beulah Curtis and Neta Hicks.

Funeral and cremation arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel, in Monrovia. A Celebration of Life Gathering will be held from 5:00pm to 7:00pm, on Thursday, March 27, 2025, in Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel. Pastor Keenan Steinway will officiate the Memorial Services

and Military Honors will begin at 7:00pm, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association and envelopes will be available during services. To share a favorite story on his life tribute page, send the family an online condolence, or light a candle in Kenny's memory, please visit [www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cremation

585 E. MAIN STREET  
Monrovia, IN 46157  
<http://www.lightmemorial.com>

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

**MAR 27.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel  
585 East Main Street  
Monrovia, IN 46157  
(317) 996-2101  
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

## Memorial Service

**MAR 27.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Military Honors

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MAR 27. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 138 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - March 27, 2025 at 01:46 PM

CW

“ So very sorry to hear about your loss ! Kenny was such a kind person and always had a smile to share with others. Prayers

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**Carol Whitaker- Watson** - March 27, 2025 at 11:50 AM

DF

“ *Donald Shupe & Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Kenny Shupe.*



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**Donald Shupe & Family** - March 25, 2025 at 04:27 PM

TF

“ *The Jain, Strong, and Kahn Families purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Kenny Shupe.*



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**The Jain, Strong, and Kahn Families** - March 24, 2025 at 06:34 PM

JH

“ *What a blessing it was for Kenny and my Dad, John Curtis, to work the farm side by side for so many years! Thank you Kenny, for all of your advice, support, and help over the years! Our love and prayers are with the whole family at this time.*

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**Julie Curtis Harr** - March 24, 2025 at 03:14 PM

MW

“ *Mitzi Whitley purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Kenny Shupe.*



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**Mitzi Whitley** - March 23, 2025 at 01:19 PM

SP

“ *What a wonderful caring man he truly was. Our deepest sympathy's to the Shupe family.*

♥ *Ron and Shari (Greene) Pierson*

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**Shari Pierson** - March 22, 2025 at 09:37 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Kenny Shupe.*



March 22, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

**Stacy Walters Thompson** - March 22, 2025 at 04:15 PM



“ *I am sorry and deeply saddened by your tremendous loss. Please know you are being held close in thought and prayer during this painfully difficult time. Sending my heartfelt condolences and many hugs.*



**Debra Jo Endres-Ard** - March 22, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ *Prayers for the Shupe family...my deepest condolences for all 🙏🏻🕊️  
Sorry for your loss Todd ,,,🙏🏻*

**Jody** - March 21, 2025 at 07:51 PM



“ *Sending my up most prayers & thoughts to each of Family & Friends threw this trying time.  
May God Bless you Mr. Shupe & Rest In Peace my friend.*

**William Gruener** - March 21, 2025 at 07:34 PM

MM

*Kenny was one of the most quiet person you would ever know. He was a great person to know and the community lost a great man. Mike Marsh*

**Mike Marsh** - March 21, 2025 at 07:43 PM

 Kris Smith

*Sorry for your loss. Kenny was a good man, always liked seeing you all at church too. Prayers for your comfort...*

**Kris Smith** - March 21, 2025 at 10:21 PM

NH

*To Linda and Todd and rest of family, so sorry for your loss, He was a great man and great to work with, I won't forget all that.*

**Nancy Hillers** - March 22, 2025 at 11:17 PM

SW

*My deepest sympathy to Linda and family. The memory of my first interest in basketball was watching Kenny playing for Eminence. Both he and Marlin were among the ones we emulated on the dirt and barns loft courts down home. Thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time and thank God that, as you said, Kenny been relieved of a terrible disease.*

**Steven and Jane Wilett** - March 27, 2025 at 05:27 PM