



Jason E. Kniffen Sr.

April 2, 1929 - September 30, 2023

Jason E. Kniffen, Sr., 94, of Kirkwood, went home to the Lord on September 30, 2023. Born in 1929 to homesteaders Arthur and Marie Kniffen in Lewistown, Montana, he graduated from Tyndall High School, South Dakota. He moved to Sioux City Nebraska in 1949, managed an auto parts store, and joined the National Guard. On a blind date, he met and later married his wife of 63 years, Mary Kathryn Kniffen (Kelly). During the catastrophic flood of 1952 he rescued Mary's grandfather and like many, caught hepatitis from cleaning up after the devastation. His lengthy recovery brought him away from Mary and sons Jason, Jr. and Steven to St. Louis, where he found his high calling as a provider for his growing family, founding Jason E. Kniffen Real Estate around 1955, still in business at the same location today. Jason and Mary went on to have four more sons, Robert, Richard, James, and Anthony.

Jason was predeceased by his wife, Mary, siblings Arthur, Sr. (Lillian), Donald (Dolly) Murray (Jennell) and Edna Benson (Dalton), in-laws Pat, Tom, and Mike Kelly, Earl Shook, Charles Hubbard, Judy Keslar, Judy Woolverton, and grandson Jacob Kniffen. He is survived by his sons Jason (Cindy), Steve (Sherrie), Bob (Dierdre), Rick (Tammy), Jim (Cathy), and Tony (Amy); in-laws Dona Shook (Kelly), Margaret Hubbard (Kelly), Sally Kelly (Ohlendorf), John and Mary Kelly (Pearson), Becky Kelly (Glore), and Tom and Rita Shaw (Kelly); grandchildren Heather Temple (Kniffen)(John), Sara Kniffen, Adam Kniffen (Arielle), Audrey Kniffen, Benjamin Kniffen (Erin), Joshua Kniffen,

James Kniffen, Jr., Jason W. Kniffen, Evelyn Kniffen, and Kathryn Kniffen; and great grandchildren Ashton and London Temple, Carolyn and Laurelin Kniffen, Claire and Olivia Kniffen.

Cemetery Details

Bellerive Gardens Cemetery

740 North Mason Road
St. Louis, MO 63141
(314) 434-3933
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<https://bellerivegardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bopp Chapel
10610 Manchester Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122

Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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