



Edward Jr

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Edward D. Douglas Jr., 64, died at 11:42 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013 with family by his side. He was born November 25, 1948 to Edward D. Douglas Sr. and Helen Marie (Terpening) Douglas. Heaven's door opened and he heard the voice of our Lord. God invited him in. He put down his armor for his battle was over. He had won and now his true life has begun. He attended Alton High School and Lewis & Clark Community College. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War and was honorable discharged as a Staff Sergeant after four years of service. He was proud to serve his country. He worked at Laclede Steel for 32 years and was very active in the Union serving as a steward and chairman of the health and safety committee for a number of years until it's closing in 2001. He then worked for TSA for 10 years and tirelessly worked to establish its first union. He also served as STL/NTEU's first seated president. He was a man of strong conviction and of excellent character who was a faithful follower of God. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by three sons; Gregory, Jeremy and Christopher Douglas, daughter, Angela Vitole, 8 grandchildren and his beloved cat Harley. Also surviving are three sisters, Catherine Devening (Randy), Sharon Henderson, and Penny Justis, two brothers, David Douglas (Belinda) and Tim Douglas. Loving cousins, Donna Hallows, Ann Scheutz, Barb Flowers, Dian O'Banion, Connie Dossett and Steve Terpening. Also to his dear friends, Dave Schedlt, Frank Varner, Robert Michaud, Pete Williams, and Joan Commice he owes much gratitude for their compassionate caring during his darkest hours. God bless them all. Per his wishes he will be cremated with private services at a later date. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

