

Edward Benton

1946 - 2020

By Reese:

Mr. Edward Harold Benton, age 71, of Easley, SC (beloved father, grandfather, and brother), went to his final reward on Saturday, June 27, 2020.

Ed served in the United States Air Force and spent his career there as an aircraft mechanic. Ed was an avid mechanic who loved to fix anything that had an engine or battery. He spent a lot of time after the Air Force customizing vans. He was a long time member of the Burlington Family Van Club. He was a self-taught welder and auto body man. As his son in law, he introduced me to vanning and helped me numerous times with my Chevy conversion van although he was clearly a Ford man when it came to vanning. Although his van had been sidelined for years due to health reasons and other demands on his time (including the addition of a newer Econoline conversion van), both remained in his fleet until the end.

OBITUARY

Edward Harold Benton

APRIL 28, 1949 - JUNE 27, 2020



IN THE CARE OF

Dillard Memorial Funeral Home & Hillcrest Memorial Park

Easley, SC - Mr. Edward Harold Benton, age 71, of Easley, beloved father, grandfather, and brother, went to be with his Lord on Saturday, June 27, 2020. Born on April 28, 1949, he was the son of the late Samuel Harold Benton and Eileen Jarvis Benton. He is the husband to Cherie Marielena Girard Benton.

Surviving are a son Timothy Edward Benton (Treesa) of Sanford, Florida and daughters Charity Mechelle Benton Walker (Adam) of Winter Springs, Florida and Marielena Petruska (Brian) of Lyman, South Carolina. Also surviving are grandchildren Talon, Cheyenne, Logan, Angel and Samantha and a sister Barbara Benton of Auburn, New Hampshire.

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Burlington Family Van Club. He was a self-taught welder and auto body man. He worked some as a small engine repair man. He was a member of McKissick Center in Liberty, loved playing pool and picking and grinning with friends on his guitar.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday July 1, 2020 at 11 AM in the Dillard Funeral Home Chapel with burial following at Hillcrest Memorial Park located at 2410 Gentry Memorial Highway, Pickens, South Carolina. A visitation will be Wednesday at 10 AM at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be made to the McKissick Center at 349 Edgemont Ave, Liberty, South Carolina 29657.

Dillard Funeral Home is assisting the Benton family.

Online condolences may be sent to www.dillardfunerals.com

Due to the COVID-19 crisis and in accordance with CDC guidelines, we are limiting the gathering to 50 persons or less in order to protect the health of the Benton family, our community, and our associates. We ask that you kindly respect this request for the benefit of all we serve.

FAMILY

Samual Harold Benton
Father (deceased)

Eileen Jarvis Benton
Mother (deceased)

Cherie Marielena Girard Benton
Spouse

Timothy Edward Benton (Treesa)
Son

Charity Mechelle Benton Walker (Adam)
Daughter

Marielena Petruska (Brian)
Daughter

Talon
Grandchild

PALLBEARERS

Timothy Benton
Honorary Pallbearer

Brian Petruska
Honorary Pallbearer

Logan Walker
Honorary Pallbearer