



## Edwin Leolas "Eddie" Bivens

June 16, 1950 - February 28, 2025

With incredibly heavy hearts the family of Edwin Leolas Bivens announces his peaceful passing to be with the Lord on February 28th, 2025, surrounded by his family at his home at the age of 74.

He was born and raised in Meigs County to his parents Raymond Bivens and Margaret Bivens, who preceded him in death. He had a wonderful childhood with his brother and sister that he reminisced about often.

Eddie was a business owner his entire adult life with his father and later his wife, Christy. A fair employer, and giving to his community, he worked alongside his employees tirelessly.

A lover of the outdoors, Eddie could be found on the golf course with his friends, tubing his grandchildren on Watts Bar Lake and fishing. He opened his beloved home, the farm that was in his family for over a hundred years to anyone. He spent his retirement with his family there where he could be found on his tractor, lawn mower and watching Tennessee sports.

A kind, selfless and giving man that was loved by everyone, he will be dearly missed and remembered by all who knew him. Everywhere Eddie went, he saw someone he knew because he never met a stranger. He loved God, his family and his country.

He is survived in death by his loving wife of 43 years, Christy Schariter Bivens. Daughter, Kellye Bivens Mckheean, son in law Daniel and grandchildren Remi, Ryder, and Ryan Mckheean of Niota, Tennessee. Son Jeremy Bivens and family of Decatur, Tennessee and daughter Buffy Jewell

and family of Athens, Tennessee. Brother Rickey Bivens and his wife Libby of Decatur, Tennessee. His loving sister Claudia Bivens Newman and husband Eddie of Ten Mile, Tennessee. Several nieces, nephews and friends.

There will be a graveside service in the Foster Cemetery at Rockview Baptist Church in Niota on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Scotty Bales officiating for anyone who loved and would like to celebrate Eddie's life, family and friends will meet at the cemetery at 1:45 P.M. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Foster Cemetery

401 County Rd 279  
Niota, TN 37826

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Our deepest condolences to the family at this difficult time. Eddie was such a kind person who absolutely adored his family and especially the sound of kids playing. I will always remember him as such a truly good and kind person who showed such kindness to others in his too short time here. Thinking about Christy and Kelly in the days ahead. I pray for God to bring you both comfort Doris Manning

Doris Manning - March 08, 2025 at 03:05 PM

RC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Ronnie really enjoyed hunting with Eddie, especially the trip to South Dakota with Rick and Clifford. The family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Ronnie and Shelia Colyer - March 03, 2025 at 08:03 PM

PH

“ My deepest sympathy. Eddie was a friend to all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers to the family.



Peggy Hixson - March 03, 2025 at 05:15 PM

PH

“ Peggy Hixson lit a candle in memory of Edwin Leolas "Eddie" Bivens



Peggy Hixson - March 03, 2025 at 05:12 PM

JJ

“ So sorry to hear Eddie passing. I remember all the good times from crazy Ed’s when I called on the store. Seems like I’ve known Eddie for many many years.

Jenny Jones - March 03, 2025 at 04:36 PM

MB

“ So sorry to hear about Eddie. Prays for his family and friends during this sad time and through days to come!

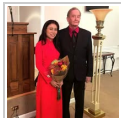
Mary Frances and Danny Bridges - March 03, 2025 at 11:13 AM

KS

“ Jeremy & all of family, so sorry for your loss. I remember the Bivens store on the old Clearwater road, { the ice cream store when I was younger }. Then the 304 store. Prayers for comfort & peace during this sad time. Gail Adams.



Karen Gail Adams, Chris Shelton, Reva Sh - March 03, 2025 at 10:58 AM



So many great memories from Quail Hunting, HSchool baseball and softball later. Eddie treated us younger guys like we were equals. Thanks for the memories my friend! We will meet again. Binky

Anderson Hutsell - March 03, 2025 at 12:26 PM

SH

“ I have very fond and happy memories of Eddie and Christy being my boss at Crazy Ed's. What a wonderful safe environment cooking there for nearly 9 years. When I went through a heart breaking divorce in 2004 they were there for me emotionally, spiritually and financially. I will never forget how good they were to me and Kellye was a God send. She lit up the kitchen with her beautiful smile. I love you all and you are like family and you're forever in my prayers

*Shirley Harden*

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**Shirley Harden** - March 02, 2025 at 08:58 PM