



## Kennie Edward Leon Day

September 18, 1944 - June 18, 2026

Kennie Edward Leon Day passed away on June 18, 2026, in The Villages, Florida. Kennie was a devoted Christian with a great sense of humor. He loved playing pranks, was a proud supporter of President Donald Trump, and enjoyed watching Fox News. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force, retiring as a Master Sergeant after 22 years of dedicated service. During his time in Vietnam, he flew many “Blind Bat” secret missions and survived three plane crashes. His remarkable legacy is shared in the book *Blind Bat* by Frederick F. NYC III. Kennie enjoyed watching NASCAR, collecting cars, and traveling.

He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Elizabethe Anne Day; his children, Sherrie (Greg) Larson of Rapid City, South Dakota, Cody (Sally) Steadman of Prattville, Alabama, and Katarina (Will) Jarrell of Mount Airy, North Carolina; and his grandchildren, K.C., Jared, Andrew, Brandon, Angela, Rebecca, Tanner, and Ben. He is also survived by many loving great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family, and lifelong friends, including J.J. and Mary Clay of Anderson, West Virginia, his brother-in-law, Bill Chick of Russellville, Kentucky as well as his beloved fur baby, Nubbin.

Kennie was preceded in death by his sister, Margarette Chick; his brother, James Day; and his parents, Kennie and Minnie Day. Condolences may be shared with the family at [www.purcellfuneralhome.com](http://www.purcellfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Purcell Chapel- Beyers Funeral Home in Bushnell, Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at

<https://www.cancer.org> , Tunnel to Towers Foundation at <https://t2t.org/donate/>  
or by donating blood to the American Red Cross.