



# Vernard "Butch" Eugene Shultz Jr.

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## In Loving Memory of Vernard "Butch" Eugene Shultz, Jr.

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After an arduous battle with cancer, it is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Butch Shultz-a beloved father, grandfather, and friend. Butch parted this world in peace, surrounded by love, on the afternoon of November 26th, 2023.

Butch grew up following the Great Depression, which explains his exemplary work ethic (and, perhaps, his appreciation for 100 dollar bills). Up until the day he passed, he carried at least \$2,000 cash on him, in a thick wad tucked away in a pocket (while his pistol was in the other). He was always the first to pull out this infamous wad at our dinners, paying-in spite of ample protests-with a simple nod. This man stared down the chamber of a .44 Magnum and lived to tell the tale. We knew better than to argue with him!

Another highlight of Butch's life was his love for cars and trucks. He built a career around this passion, starting his own auto body business, Mantua Auto Body and Glass, in 1968. This endeavor allowed him to support his family (and fix their cars whenever they got into-or caused-fender-benders). Venturing into the world of truck pulling in the 1980s and '90s, Butch won countless awards and competitions with his home-built vehicles. With this legacy, we can thank him for giving our small town of Mantua, Ohio a little ounce of fame out in the big world.

In his little amounts of leisure time, Butch enjoyed the water: catching record-breaking fish, cruising along in a boat, or floating in a pool raft with a drink in hand. Some of his grandchildren's best memories with him are at his old property at Tuckaway Lake, as he taught them-with his large and steady hands-how to cast a line. Butch also loved McDonald's coffee in the mornings, playing tricks on his daughter Libby, talking business with his son Butch, petting dogs, shooting guns, and, of course, building lean-tos.



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To all those who knew him, Butch was not a man of many words. His go-to "yep, yep" covered a lot of ground, but left a lot untold. He trusted that his actions, whether good or bad, did the speaking for him. His anger would be felt in his absence, his happiness would be felt in his laugh, a soft chuckle that burst from his lips. But his love was felt in his deep blue eyes, which held a look of hope. Hope that we all would know what he wouldn't-what he couldn't-say. Hope you'd see, and in turn feel, all the love he had for the world, love that will endure within his lineage.

Butch is survived by his longtime companion of 35 years Bobbi Collier and her daughter Chelie Moon and her husband Ed Moon. His children Bill Shultz, and his wife Tammy Shultz, Libby Wise-Cooper and her husband Ken Copper and Butch Shultz and his wife Tammy Shultz. His grandchildren Morgan, Kasey, Clay, Calvin, Nathan, Ricky, Jake, Alexis, Sam, Lana, Ella, Gabe, Eli and Cain and his great-grandchild R.J., and a host of extended family members and friends. His memory will be cherished by all who knew him, and his spirit will live on in the countless lives he touched.

A memorial gathering to celebrate Butch's life will be held on Friday December 1, 2023 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. with a service to immediately follow at 7:00 pm, at Green Funeral Care, 4668 Pioneer Trail Mantua Ohio 44255. Friends and family are invited to join in commemorating the remarkable life of a man whose impact will be felt for generations to come.

May Butch rest in eternal peace, and may his memory continue to inspire and guide us as we navigate the journey of life without his physical presence.






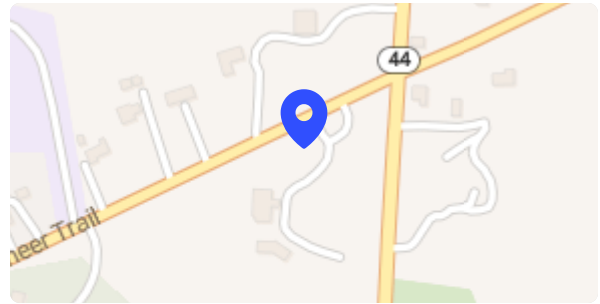
# Events

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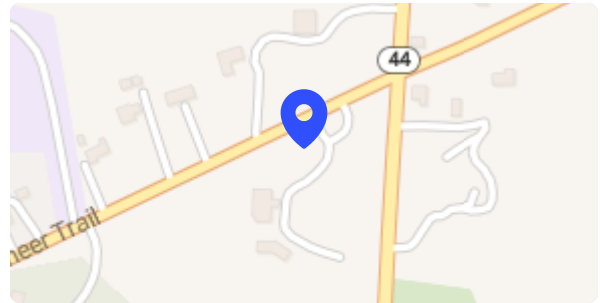
## Visitation

-  **Friday**, December 1, 2023
-  5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
-  **Green Funeral Care**  
4668 Pioneer Trail, Mantua OH 44255



## Funeral Service

-  **Friday**, December 1, 2023
-  7:00 PM - 7:30 PM ET
-  **Green Funeral Care**  
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## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Shultz family.

November 30 at 8:32 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Shultz family.

November 30 at 2:29 PM



**Jon And Loren Martin** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Vernard "Butch".

November 30 at 2:29 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Shultz family.

November 30 at 5:29 AM



**Ken Justus** posted:

I wish to extend my sincerest condolences to the Butch's loved ones and family. He was a good guy that I enjoyed having conversations with. He will definitely be missed in the Mantua community.

November 30 at 4:55 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Shultz family.

November 29 at 11:18 AM





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**Mark A.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Vernard "Butch".



November 29 at 11:18 AM



**Laura Cartwright** posted:

so sorry to hear of butch' s passing. when we lived in mantua, he had first started his shop. please accept condolences and prayers.sincerely, laura cartwright

November 29 at 4:41 AM



**Roberta And David Akerley** posted:

Roberta and I are very saddened by Butches passing and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family. Sr. was always willing to help us out be it advice, or body work from hitting deer and hitting other things with our vehicles. He would never take any money from us even when we insisted. We had the utmost respect for him and we would try to return favors but we came up short compared to what he gave us. A life lesson learned and we shall forever be grateful to have known you and you will be missed my friend.Roberta and David Akerley

November 28 at 2:37 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Shultz family.



November 28 at 11:24 AM



**Roger W Simonis** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Vernard "Butch".



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**Ed Baker** posted:

I traveled with Butch to help drive the "hot shot hauler" when headed to truck pulls. I'm NOT a truck driver. He, Butchie and "Pop" put this rig together. The length limit was 65 feet. Stopped in Tennessee, the DOT measured it 3 times. It was 64' 11" My turn to drive, we were going INTO Florida. I didn't realize trucks have an agricultural check. The "officer " asked, What you hauling? I said "oranges from California! He was not amused. OPEN'ER UP! Butch wasn't amused either. Ed Baker

November 27 at 3:39 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Vernard "Butch" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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