



## Douglas Ira Bishop

May 16, 1945 - March 15, 2025

Frankfort – Our beloved husband, father, and grandfather Douglas Ira Bishop, 79, of Frankfort, Kentucky, passed away peacefully at his home on March 15, 2025.

The youngest of three boys, Doug was born on May 16, 1945, in San Francisco, California, where his father was working in the naval shipyard. He grew up in Elizabethtown, Kentucky and graduated from Elizabethtown High School in 1963. He then attended Georgetown College in Georgetown, Kentucky where he met his wife, Becky, before he was drafted into the U.S. Marine Corps in 1968. Upon completing his military service, he and Becky moved to Frankfort, Kentucky in 1970. Doug taught at Peaks Mill Elementary School for two years, then began his career in state government at the Cabinet for Human Resources, while also earning his master's degree from Kentucky State University. He later worked for the Department of Information Systems and was serving as assistant director when he retired in 1998. Doug was a devoted member of Immanuel Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon, taught bible study, and sang in the choir. He also served on the City of Frankfort's Code Enforcement Board, volunteered at the local food pantry, and participated in other civic activities. Known as Poppy to his beloved grandchildren, Doug loved traveling (especially vacationing in Charleston, South Carolina with his dear friends), hiking, cheering on his son and grandchildren in sports and other activities, and spending time with his

family. He was also a history buff, especially military history, and a self-proclaimed, undefeated Trivial Pursuit champion.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth and Corinne Bishop, and brothers, Don and Joseph "Ray" Bishop. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Becky Bishop; son, Seth Bishop (Sarah); grandchildren, Avery, Eleanor, and Logan Bishop; and many extended family members and friends. He will be deeply missed.

A memorial service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, March 21, 2025, at Immanuel Baptist Church in Frankfort. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. service time on Friday, March 21, 2025, at Immanuel Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Bluegrass Care Navigators ([www.bgcarenav.org](http://www.bgcarenav.org)) or Immanuel Baptist Church, 1075 Collins Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church  
1075 Collins Lane  
Frankfort, KY 40601

## Memorial Service

MAR 21. 12:00 PM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church  
1075 Collins Lane  
Frankfort, KY 40601

# Tribute Wall

AG

“ We are very sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Bishop. He was a wonderful neighbor growing up and I have fond memories to this day of growing up next door. We are keeping the family in our thoughts and prayers.

With Love,  
Ariana Guillaume

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**Ariana Guillaume** - March 22, 2025 at 12:02 PM

KH

“ As a teacher and coach, I knew I could always count on the Bishops for encouragement and support. Doug was one of those dads who showed up and had something positive to contribute. When their son graduated from high school, he and his wife sent me the most heartfelt letter. I still have it. It brightens my day whenever I come across it. The community has lost a bright light, but the heavens have gained a shining star. Rest easy, Doug.

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**Kathy Hopkins** - March 21, 2025 at 12:22 PM

TS

“ Tammie Smith lit a candle in memory of Douglas Ira Bishop



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**Tammie Smith** - March 21, 2025 at 10:12 AM



“ 47 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - March 19, 2025 at 10:23 AM

JB

*Doug and I worked together in the Kentucky Department of Information Systems. I not only enjoyed working with him, but found Doug a dedicated working associate and a person whose judgement and work ethic I could always count on. I surely missed him when he retired. Blessing to Becky and your family.*

John Bridwell - March 20, 2025 at 09:20 PM

CL

“ Mrs Bishop my Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family.



Crystal Lancaster - March 19, 2025 at 01:15 AM

TH

“ Mr Bishop was my 7th or 8th grade teacher at Peaks Mill and years later he tutored my nephew and he really helped him pass his classes.

Teresa M Hockensmith - March 18, 2025 at 10:30 AM

TH

“ *Becky, I am so sorry for your loss of your beloved husband. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Sincerely, Tina Harrod*

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**Tina Harrod** - March 18, 2025 at 09:52 AM

RS

“ *Becky and Seth, we are heart broken after hearing the news about Doug passing on Saturday. What a wonderful husband, father and neighbor. It is hard to believe that we have been blessed with you all as neighbors for over 33 years. We enjoyed our conversations with Doug as we would see him getting out of the car or just doing yard work and the times we came over. Doug will be terribly missed by your friends at 317. We are so glad we got to know Doug over the years. Prayers to the family and if there is anything we can do for you, just let us know. Thinking of you and Seth and the family.*

*Robert and Sophia Semones*

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**Robert Semones** - March 17, 2025 at 10:08 PM