



Michael Wayne Eckstein

October 18, 1963 - February 28, 2026

Michael Wayne Eckstein, 62, of Cedar Hill, Missouri, passed away on February 28, 2026, leaving behind a legacy defined by craftsmanship, dedication, and a deep love for his family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Melvin Eckstein and his step-father, Oley Burnett.

Mike is survived by his wife, Deborah, and his son, Michael (Alison). He also leaves behind his mother, Lillian (nee Owens) Burnett; his brother, Mark (Young) Eckstein; his sister, Kim Aydt; and his sister, Linda (Mark) Colvis. He will be fondly remembered by his sister-in-law, Denise Hartnagel, and brother-in-law, Denis Hartnagel, along with many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Born with a natural curiosity for how things worked, Mike was known for his incredible attention to detail. This trait served him well as a Home Remodeling Contractor and fueled his lifelong passion for restoring classic cars and trucks. For Mike, a project wasn't finished until it was perfect; he took immense pride in every accomplishment, finding joy in the steady work of bringing beauty and power back to vintage machinery.

Beyond the garage, Mike shared 35 wonderful years of marriage with his beloved wife, Deborah Eckstein. Together, they built a life rooted in loyalty and

partnership. He was a proud and guiding father to his son, Michael, teaching him by example the value of hard work and the satisfaction of a job well done. A Memorial Service to honor Mike's life and legacy will be held on Monday, March 9th, 2026, from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, MO 63016.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made in Mike's honor to A4A Pet Pantry.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com (<http://www.stlfuneral.com/>) and follow details of this event and others in the community at <http://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill>.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill
6300 Highway 30
Cedar Hill, MO 63016
(636) 274-4100
info@stlfuneral.com
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

Military Honors

MAR 9. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Bockskopf/Beck Families purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Michael Wayne Eckstein.*



The Bockskopf/Beck Families - March 06 at 04:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Wayne Eckstein.

March 06 at 01:58 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Wayne Eckstein.*



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“ *The Lumen Cable Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Wayne Eckstein.*

The Lumen Cable Team - March 03 at 02:11 PM

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“ *The Lumen Cable Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael Wayne Eckstein.*



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