



Thomas R. Elder

August 8, 1949 - August 27, 2025

Thomas Russell Elder, 76, of Perryville, Missouri passed away Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at his residence.

He was born August 8, 1949 in St. Louis, MO to Russell and Gladys (Bass) Elder.

Tom and Juanita Cissell were married September 7, 1968 in Perryville, MO. She survives him in Perryville.

He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Perry County Sportsman Club, Knights of Columbus Council #1263 and Perryville Bass Casters.

He retired as a quality control manager from General Motors after 31 years. Tom enjoyed puzzles, watching the St. Louis Cardinals and Kansas City Chiefs.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Mark (Tori) Elder, Danny (Laura) Elder; two daughters, Kim (Roy) Richardet, Jennifer (Shane Wilson) Elder; twelve grandchildren, Hunter Elder, Hayden Elder, Zachary (Holly) Elder, Hannah Elder, Tiffany (Joe) Schwent, Hailey (Joey) Bauwens, Trent (Morgan) Richardet, Garrett (Amber Elder) Richardet, Chase Richardet, Shelby

(Brayden) Cox, Lane Wilson, SJ Wilson; twelve great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Scott Elder; three sisters, Cynthia Wilson, Virginia Meister, JoAnn Moore.

Visitation will be from 7:00 am to 9:30 am on Friday, September 12, 2025 at Ford & Young Funeral Home in Perryville.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 am Friday, September 12, 2025 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville with Rev. Joe Geders C.M. officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given to Perry County Sportsman Club Special Projects.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S. West St.
Perryville, MO 63775

Funeral Mass

SEP **12.** 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
1000 Rosati Court
Perryville, MO 63775

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Larry Hogard Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Thomas R. Elder.*



The Larry Hogard Family - September 11, 2025 at 01:17 PM

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“ *The Lukrofka Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas R. Elder.*

The Lukrofka Family - September 11, 2025 at 10:36 AM

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“ *The Lukrofka Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas R. Elder.*



The Lukrofka Family - September 11, 2025 at 10:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Elder.*



September 05, 2025 at 06:17 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss! Prayers for the family!

Tom Hart - August 30, 2025 at 09:37 PM

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“ Our deepest condolences to the entire Elder family. 🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️

Pete and Diana Howe - August 29, 2025 at 09:32 PM

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“ Juanita.... may you and the family find comfort and solace in your memories...
Melanie

Melanie Prevallet-Muir - August 28, 2025 at 09:26 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Elder.



August 28, 2025 at 07:11 PM

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“ You all have my deepest condolences. So sorry for your loss. 🙏

Mark Brown - August 28, 2025 at 04:55 PM