



## Joseph Brandon 'Joe' Shafer

April 9, 1975 - June 23, 2026

Joseph Brandon 'Joe' Shafer, age 51, of Palestine, died Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at his home in Palestine. His death came sudden and unexpected.

Joe was born April 9, 1975, in West Memphis, and was the son of Billy Shafer and Doris Higgins Shafer. He lived in Palestine all of his life, was an employee of the University of Arkansas Pine Tree Research Station, and was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Palestine.

Joe is survived by one son, Joseph Brandon 'J.B.' Shafer Jr., of Mountain Home, one daughter, Abigail Tru Shafer of Forrest City, his parents; Billy and Doris Shafer of Palestine, one sister, Candace Shafer Franks, and husband, Burge, of Forrest City, and several cousins, family members, and a host of friends.

Services will be held at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel, 11:00 A.M., Saturday, with burial in Bell Cemetery. Visitation will be Saturday, 10:00 A.M., until the time of the service. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to [stevensfuneralhome.net](http://stevensfuneralhome.net) for the online registry.

# Cemetery Details

## Bell Cemetery

Palestine, AR 72372

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home  
220 North Washington  
Forrest City, AR 72335  
(870) 633-5400  
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## Funeral Service

JUN 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Interment

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