



## Don McKee

November 19, 1945 - February 10, 2019

FISHERS – Don McKee, of Fishers, Indiana, died on February 10, 2019 at the age of 73. He was born in Little Rock, Arkansas and was the oldest to two siblings, Rita Hicks and Kenneth McKee, who both preceded him in death. Don grew up in Greenfield, Indiana and graduated from Hancock Central High School in 1963. He attended Purdue University where he earned a BS in agricultural economics in 1968 and his master's in agricultural economics in 1972. Don was a member of Farm House Fraternity while at Purdue. He joined the Army Reserves in college and retired as the commanding officer at the base in Lafayette, Indiana.

He enjoyed a long career in commercial real estate appraisal, devoting his career to complex and unique projects. He loved his work and the many colleagues he had in the appraisal community.

Don had a multitude of interests. Purdue Boilermaker Football was his favorite sport. He was an avid reader, especially historical non-fiction. He loved all types of music and enjoyed musicals and operas. His favorite vacation spot was Hot Springs, Arkansas where his mother, Opal McKee, lived for many years. He enjoyed boating and swimming on nearby Lake Ouachita. He also enjoyed traveling in Europe with his family and had recently taken a trip to Israel to see the Holy Lands with friends.

He is survived by his son Mark McKee of Atlanta, Georgia, his wife Courtney and sons Ben and Grayson; and daughter Sarah Ricci of Atlanta, Georgia, her husband Cliff and daughters Vivienne and Magnolia; and son Jeff McKee of Evansville, Indiana; and best friend Jay Jones of Greenfield, Indiana and the Jones' family who he considered his own family. He will be deeply missed by his children, family, friends, and colleagues.

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 15, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory, 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, Indiana 46140. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the mortuary. Pastor Hubert Nolen will be officiating. Burial will follow at Mendon Cemetery in Pendleton

with military rites presented by the Greenfield Veterans Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made by mail to Hope Center Indy, 11850 Brookville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46239 or Purdue Foundation, 403 West Wood Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907. Friends may share a memory or a condolence at [www.erleweinmortuary.com](http://www.erleweinmortuary.com).

# Cemetery

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# Events

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## Mendon Cemetery

SW corner of SR 9 and CR 1050 S

Pendleton, IN, 46064

**FEB** **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory - Greenfield  
1484 West US Highway 40, Greenfield, IN, US,  
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**FEB** **Funeral Service** 01:00PM

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46140

# Comments

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“ We just recently learned of Don's passing. We will miss his contagious smile and his stories that he would tell when he came into the store.

Our deepest sympathy  
his pharmacy friends

**wendy tidd** - April 08, 2019 at 10:36 PM

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“ 7 files added to the album Israel Trip



**Joan Wilson** - February 15, 2019 at 09:04 PM

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“ Don was an outstanding individual and a credit to the appraisal profession. I loved his sense of humor and wonderful laugh!! He will be missed.



**Lowell Griffin** - February 15, 2019 at 03:34 PM



“ Don was a good friend and fellow co-worker for many years and a credit to the appraisal profession. I will miss him. Dick Nichols

**richard nichols** - February 19, 2019 at 12:06 PM

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“ Sarah I’m so so sorry for your loss. I had the pleasure to meet dad Christmas 2016, looking back at the pictures remembering the joyous family Christmas Eve we spent together and the memories we made. My condolences to you and your family. Sending love and many hugs.  
Fran (Castiello)

**Frances Castiello** - February 15, 2019 at 05:51 AM

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“ Don was a true gentleman in every sense of the word. I was so fortunate to have worked in the same office as Don for many years. He was always so kind to take the time to share his knowledge and experience with me and those around him. My sincere condolences to his family. Denise Klivansky

**Denise Klivansky** - February 14, 2019 at 04:50 PM

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“ I first met Don in the 1980's when he was an appraiser with the state highway. We worked on the Lloyd Expressway in Evansville together, as I recall. As other have said, Don was just a great human being. A humble man, always complimenting other people and quick witted usually with a humorous remark. He was also a fine appraiser. I regret that I lost contact with him in recent years, but I will never forget this outstanding man. My condolences to his family.

**David Matthews** - February 14, 2019 at 11:43 AM

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“ I met Don through his daughter Sarah many years ago and I would always try to see him when he would be in Atlanta visiting. He was always fun to kick up your feet and shoot the breeze with on many subjects. His interesting insight and joyful demeanor will be missed and I am happy I had the chance to spend some time with him this past summer. My condolences go out to his family and Don will be surely missed.

**Patrick Healy** - February 13, 2019 at 03:09 PM

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“ Sarah,

I am sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to you and your family.

God Bless,

Jyssica (Emory)

**Jyssica Brown** - February 13, 2019 at 02:22 PM

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“ I will miss Don's stories and his insight on life and people! I never met anyone who could remember events in such great detail! And how he loved to tell a story. When we were considering names for our unborn baby, I told Don that I liked the name Olivia. My husband didn't care for the name until Don told him it sounded regal! We have a 16 year old named Olivia and I give Don the credit for helping us name her! I'm certain that story time in heaven just got a lot more interesting! Godspeed Don, we will miss you!

**Stephanie Yott** - February 13, 2019 at 08:41 AM



“ Don was one the most considerate MAI that I ever encountered in the business. He was a fine person !

**Jim Babb** - February 13, 2019 at 10:42 AM



“ I owe my whole career to Don. We met in the late 1980's and it was at that time when we working for the same company that he introduced me to the appraisal profession. He was a great teacher, motivator, listener and storyteller. His attention to the details (big or little) was one of his most inspiring attributes. Moreover, he was a very kind and caring person who always asked about my family, our kids and grandkids whenever we talked. You will be missed!

**Scott Larsen** - February 13, 2019 at 11:03 AM



“ Don & I meet a total of three times. Last time at our children's home 4 Thanksgiving and Birthday party. Yet, his casual demeanor, personality, and clarity made me feel like I knew him my entire life. A true gentle giant who will be sorely missed.

God Bless Don with open arms Lord.

**Gil Ricci** - February 13, 2019 at 04:07 PM



“ I had the pleasure of sharing office space with Don for many years on Rucker Road. He was always fun to be around, a great story teller and a good man to be around! We worked together on many projects after I left Rucker Road including one a few weeks ago. I will miss him.

**Joe Traynor** - February 14, 2019 at 03:38 PM