



Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker

July 7, 1946 - July 20, 2018

DANVILLE - Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker, age 72, of Danville, passed away July 20, 2018. He was born on July 7, 1946 in Indianapolis, as the son of Robert Eaker and Harriett (Stone) Eaker.

He worked in construction with Labor Union Local #204 in Terre Haute, IN before retiring after 30 years. He was most recently employed as security at the Indianapolis International Airport. Harold also enjoyed going to yard sales, fishing, and listening to country music.

He is survived by his daughters, Angela (Gary Neal) Crafton of Greenfield and Kimberly (James) Clark of Fortville; son, Brian (Amy) Eaker of Brownsburg; half-brother, Robert Eaker of Indianapolis; sisters, Patricia Davis of Terre Haute, and Sandra (David) Hawkins of Brazil; 11 grandchildren, Eric, Christopher, Garrett, Rachel, Meredith, Landon, Kennedy, Taylor, Megan, Brayden, and Mialiah; 8 great-grandchildren, Ryla, Kaydon, Braeden, Grayson, Kylee, Dallas, Krew, and Dylan; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Roberta Jordan, Carol Freeman, and infant Alice Eaker; half-brothers, Carl Reagan, Glenn Reagan, and Alfred Eaker; half-sisters, Greta Eaker and Betty Eaker; and great-grandson, Ryker.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory, 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140, with a funeral service immediately following the visitation at 7:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made by mail to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718, or envelopes will be available at the mortuary. Friends may share a memory or a condolence at www.erleweinmortuary.com.

Events

JUL 25 Visitation 05:00PM - 07:00PM
Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory - Greenfield
1484 West US Highway 40, Greenfield, IN, US, 46140

JUL 25 Funeral Service 07:00PM
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Comments



“ Uncle Buddy was one of the most interesting people I knew. He always had a smile on his face and a story to tell. Our family won't be the same without you but I am thankful that you are no longer suffering. Until we meet again in heave.



Lisa Owen - September 04, 2018 at 03:18 PM



“ Harold always had a smile on his face when I would show up to work. He was resilient and kind. God speed Harold.

David Young
AAR



David Young - July 25, 2018 at 02:50 PM



“ I'm gonna miss you grandpa. As I'm stilling here trying not to cry thinking of the most memorable memory I have with you I can help but think of them all. From you telling me to go play in the street, calling me a conartist, to you asking my friends if they had a home because we were always pestering you to take us somewhere for something. You never failed me you were always there for me no matter what time of day it was or what the situation may have been. I'll never forget you taking me to my favorite stores to "look" knowing I was going to walk out with something and you were the one paying for it. I'll never forget the look on your face or the answer you gave me when I looked at you and asked" grandpa why are your ears so big". You were a great friend, son, father, grandpa, great grandpa, but most importantly you were my grandpa. A grandpa no one could replace or ever come close to being the grandpa you were for me, and for that I am forever grateful. 13 years you battled cancer and for 13 years you gave it one hell of a fight. Your battle was our battle. Day in and day

out you sucked the marrow outta cancer, and cancer sucked the marrow outta you. Time is something that cannot be bought, cannot be wagered with God, and is not an endless supply, time is simple how you live your life, and you showed us how to live the best life when you have a terminal disease. You showed everyone how to live the life of a life time while refusing to give in.

So now it's my turn Grandpa go play in the street!

I LOVE YOU GRANDPA

Garrett Crafton - July 25, 2018 at 01:43 PM



“ Hey Brian and Amy I'm sorry to read about the passing of your Dad RIP Harold Eaker



Bob Hutchens - July 25, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ Misty Stover lit a candle in memory of Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker



Misty Stover - July 25, 2018 at 10:56 AM



“ For 13 years you battled cancer, for 13 years we prepared for the worst and the worst finally came. It hard to believe that you aren't still here with us. Actually you will always be with us. When I see my brother and my son, I will see a glimpse of you. When I hear a Conway Twitty, Marty Robins or George Jones song, I will think of you. How you loved country music so much. When I see a Hershey candy bar I will think of you, yes I got your love of chocolate! When I see a stuffed gorilla, I will think of you. I tried to pray for you every day. Now I don't have to pray for you. My prayers have been answered, you are no longer in pain. You have received your healing. You told me you knew Jesus as your savior and that gives me hope and the assurance that I will see you again some day. Until then know that I love you and will miss you everyday until we meet again. Love you Dad

Kimberly Clark - July 24, 2018 at 10:37 PM



“ Harold was a very good friend at the AAR Aircraft Services Indianapolis facility where I met him. Always there to say hello, with a positive attitude and a big smile.

A life was cut short for a man with such a good heart. We will really miss having Harold around here at the airport.

Fly high with the angels my good friend, until we meet again in heaven. Matthew Baker

Matthew Baker - July 24, 2018 at 02:21 PM



“ He was a great friend. Will really miss him.

Steve P Sleeth - July 24, 2018 at 06:56 AM



“ Tim Rushton lit a candle in memory of Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker



Tim Rushton - July 23, 2018 at 10:42 PM



“ Veronica sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker



Veronica - July 23, 2018 at 10:33 PM



“ Condolences to Harold's family. He was a friend at Danbury Pointe while I was maintenance man. We had many visits together.

Dave Walker - July 24, 2018 at 02:24 PM



“ I am very sorry to hear about Buddy. He was one of my favorite people " back in the day",



Linda Regan - July 23, 2018 at 10:13 PM



“ Mike & Angie Steinmetz lit a candle in memory of Harold E. "Buddy" Eaker



Mike & Angie Steinmetz - July 23, 2018 at 10:10 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

The Steinmetz's - July 23, 2018 at 10:12 PM



“ Dad was a very interesting person. He was funny, silly, a little bit crazy, the best housekeeper on Earth, and a loving man. He loved life and all the people in his. He would brag about his kids and grandkids to his friends and family. He was also proud of the fact that he was a great grandfather. He enjoyed being with the people he loved, no matter what they were doing. Dad was easy going and could just sit and talk, or laugh and joke around. Dad was also very happy to sit down and play a good game of Euchre. He helped some of the grand kids learn how to play. He was the only person that would go alone and get Euchred. Lol. He didn't let the cancer control his life. He had his bad days, but he didn't give up. He fought til the bitter end. He was truly the strongest person I know. Even with the cancer, he still worked. There were times when he needed to rest, but he wasn't one to just sit around. He was a hard worker and loved his job and the friends he made there. While I am so very sad

and will miss my dad every day, I am thankful that he is no longer in pain. Cancer is an evil, unrelenting disease and it shows no mercy on anyone. Dad fought long and hard, but it finally won. You fought your hardest dad and suffered tremendously. Now it's time for you to rest and be rid of your pain. Please watch over all those who love you and know that you will forever be in our hearts. I love you daddy.



Angie Crafton - July 23, 2018 at 08:30 PM



“ I sure am going to miss you grandpa. Have way to many memories to try to pick a favorite but I sure will never forget you. From the way you would always wipe down you car about three times a day. To the way your house was always so dark. Don't know what you had against a regular light bulb but I know for sure you couldn't seem to find them in a store. I'll leave this on one final note/joke..... I guess it's my turn to tell you "don't you worry about it!!" And "why don't you go play in the street"(the golden streets of Heaven) until we meet again take care of my baby boy and tell him mommy and daddy love and miss him so much! I love you grandpa

Eric Crafton - July 23, 2018 at 07:49 PM