



Edward J. Stenftenagel

August 14, 1932 - January 29, 2017

Dateline Jasper, IN

Edward J. Stenftenagel, age 84 of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 3:50 p.m. on Sunday, January 29th, 2017 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper, IN.

Ed was born in Jasper, Indiana on April 14, 1932 to Florian and Agnes (Blessinger) Stenftenagel. He married Bettye Schneider on June 24, 1954. She preceded him in death on August 6, 1989.

Ed was a 1950 graduate of Jasper High School, where he was a member of the 1949 Jasper Basketball State Championship Team. He graduated from the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) in 1954 where he played on the university basketball team and was the team captain his senior year. He was a life member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

He entered the U.S. Air Force pilot training school in 1954. After graduating as a pilot he served with the Strategic Air Command until 1957 where he piloted B36 and B52 bombers. He served as a Liaison Officer with the Air Force Academy until 1982 and retired as a Lt. Colonel. He was a graduate of the Squadron Officer School in 1965, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1970, and the Air War College in 1978. He was a member of the Indiana

Aerospace Association, the Air Force Association, the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, and the Jasper American Legion Post #147.

He was the co-owner and operator of Schneider's Department Store in Jasper for over 30 years.

He served as a director for the Dubois County Bank, the Liberty Building Loan Association, Jasper Retail Association, the Jasper Jaycee's, and the Jasper Country Club. He was a member of the Jasper Chamber of Commerce. He served as the President of the Columbian Noon Luncheon Club in 1961, Chairman of the Airport Study Commission in 1966, Chairman of the Dubois County Park Board in 72-73, was selected into the Who's Who in 1972, and served on the Dubois County American Heart Association Sunday Heart Drive. He was a charter member of the Wabash Valley Association.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and the Jasper Knights of Columbus.

He enjoyed golf, making wine, and gardening.

Surviving are two sons, E.J. Stenftenagel II, California, and Blake Stenftenagel, Florida, two grandchildren, four sisters, Doretha Schmitt, Jasper, Betty Egan, Cincinnati, OH, Geraldine "Gerry" Giesler, Jasper, and Jane (Tom) Eckerle of Indianapolis, two brothers, James (Flora) Stenftenagel, Jasper, and Michael "Mick" (Mary Ellen) Stenftenagel, Ft. Worth, TX., and one brother-in-law Ronald R. Schneider, Florida.

Preceding him in death besides his wife was one sister, Marge Gramelspacher.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Edward J. Stenftenagel will be held at 11:00

a.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana with entombment to follow at Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum in Jasper. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct military gravesite rites.

A visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. service time on Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church or a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
1029 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN

Mass

FEB 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Catholic Church
1029 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward J. Stenftenagel*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *A prayer being said for all who knew and loved him -- he was truly a blessing to all.*

Delphine Neukam

Indianapolis, IN

(Previously from Irvine, CA)

Delphine Neukam - February 04, 2017 at 03:01 AM



“ *My condolences for the entire family. Ed was a special man and one I have admired all my life. From time spent on the cattle ranch at Haysville bailing hay to the wonderful stories of his life that he shared over the years a life well lived. I hope to be able attend the services on Thursday if possible.*

All my love and respect.

Mike " Satch" Sander and family

Mike Sander - February 01, 2017 at 11:46 AM



JS

“ *My deepest condolences for all who had the privilege of knowing such an amazing man who accomplished more during his life than most could dream of. You will be missed.*
Jessica Sheely (Eckerle) and family



Jessica Sheely - February 01, 2017 at 08:54 AM

DF

“ *Our deepest condolences to the Stenftenagel family. Mick and Mary Ellen, we're sorry for your loss.*
Dennis & Anne Fleck

Dennis & Anne Fleck - January 31, 2017 at 08:23 PM

BW

“ *Blake, I was so sorry to hear about your father's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. You have my very deepest sympathy. He was a wonderful man and also a very important part of my sister, Sheila's life. I feel blessed that I got to know him. Just remember, no matter where he is, he'll always be watching over you. He will stay with you forever.*
Brenda Wynn

Brenda Wynn - January 31, 2017 at 02:17 PM

RS

“ *Mr. Stenftenagel was a genuinely kind and comforting person. He always had time and interest in what we were doing as kids. He always made me feel important. I often think of the basketball goal put at the end of the Schneider's Dept. store parking lot and how he welcomed all in the neighborhood to use it. My brothers and I are fortunate to have moved into the same neighborhood with him and his family. He has impacted many lives and will be missed.*

Rick Schultheis - January 31, 2017 at 02:15 PM

MK

“ *Mike Keller lit a candle in memory of Edward J. Stenftenagel*



Mike Keller - January 31, 2017 at 07:40 AM

ES

“ *ED SCHULTHEIS lit a candle in memory of Edward J. Stenftenagel*



ED SCHULTHEIS - January 31, 2017 at 07:15 AM

JS

“ *EJ so sorry for your loss. Your Dad was a wonderful man and a very important part of the lives of my sister's and mine for many years. He will really be missed. We are in Florida and will not be able to attend the funeral services, but wanted to let you know how sorry we are for your loss.*

Jan and Steve Stidd

Mary and Mark Bolte

Jan Stidd - January 30, 2017 at 10:14 PM