



## James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger

January 25, 1937 - July 15, 2020

James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger, 83, a resident of Cape Coral, FL since 2001, formerly of Alexandria, KY passed away Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at Cape Coral Hospital. He was born January 25, 1937 in Covington, KY to the late Elmer and Clara Eichelberger.

Ike was a United States Navy Veteran. He retired from Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company after 40 years of service. Ike was a Past Master at Golden Rule Lodge #345 F&AM, member of The Scottish Rite, The Royal Order of Scotland, BPO Elks #273 and Past Patron Dora #2 Order of the Eastern Star all in KY, Past Director Syrian Oriental Band in Cincinnati, OH, Past Director Cincinnati Ct. #7 R.O.J. and most recently a member of Araba Shriners in Fort Myers, FL. Ike is a Kentucky Colonel and Tennessee Squire.

Ike is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Lillie M. Eichelberger of Cape Coral, FL; seven children, Sheryl Eichelberger of Covington, KY, Jackie Burke (Tom) of Walton, KY, Barbara Edwards (Rex) of Falmouth, KY, Brenda Chasteen (Dorsey) of Morningview, KY, Amanda Perry (Gabe) of Taylor Mill, KY, Connie Schwarberg of Cape Coral, FL and Larry Schwarberg (Julie) of Phoenix, AZ; Sister, Joann Scott of Independence, KY; nine grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; as well as many extended family members and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held 1:00 PM, Saturday, August 15, 2020 at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL. The funeral home has asked that all attendees wear a mask and to abide by the CDC COVID-19 guidelines regarding social distancing. Ike's Memorial Service will be live streamed for the friends and family unable to attend, please see the link below.

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A Graveside Service will be held 1:00 PM, Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Highland Cemetery, 2167 Dixie Hwy, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017 where Ike will be laid to rest with his parents.

In lieu of flowers Memorial Contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Cincinnati, OH.

# Cemetery

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**Highland Cemetery**  
2167 Dixie Highway  
Fort Mitchell, KY, 41017

# Events

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**AUG 15** **Memorial Service** 01:00PM  
Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home  
1589 Colonial Blvd, Fort Myers, FL, US, 33907

**AUG 22** **Graveside Service** 01:00PM  
Highland Cemetery  
2167 Dixie Highway, Fort Mitchell, KY, US, 41017

# Comments

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger.



August 21 at 12:02 PM

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“ Dear Lillie and family  
Our deepest condolences...we love you and are with you in spirit.  
Live Terri, Bob and the Doxie 5

Terri - August 15 at 02:14 PM

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“ Daddy or Dad is how I knew him. I was the one my sister's or Mom would always send out to help him to work on cars, go to lodge meetings, or back up a travel trailer into a camping spot. They would always say that he wouldn't yell at me because I was the baby. As long as I can remember, he called me Boo. He gave me this nickname early in life, from what I hear, around age three or four after singing the song "Me and You and a Dog Named Boo". Yes I know.. . It still sticks today and he called me that until the last time I spoke to him. Anyone I would meet that knew him, personally or professionally, would always tell me great things about him. Everyone seemed to have had a story or two. Some they could share and would. I treasure all of those stories and the care that people felt for my Dad. I still run into some technicians or team leaders at work that remember him and every one of them have great respect for him. Some or most he taught through Cincinnati Bell splicing school. He will be greatly missed by many, including me! Until we meet again, Dad! Love you always, Boo!

Mandy Perry - August 14 at 04:54 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to Lillie and the entire family. Ike and I go back to our days working at CBT, Golden Rule Lodge and many times spent together over the years. When Ike came into the room the party would begin. Hester and I feel a deep loss.  
Tom and Hester Nunery

Tom Nunery - July 30 at 11:44 AM



“ So sad to hear of Jim passing. Very fond memories of him at Golden Rule. Will never forget that smile and laugh. Gerald (Jerry) Davis PM 1986

Gerald Davis - July 29 at 07:50 PM

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“ Jim helped get my grandfather into some of the societies Jim was in. Sorry for your loss.

sam michels - July 29 at 12:56 PM

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“ Our deepest condolences to Lillie and your entire family as well as good friends of Jim's .  
Our hearts are with you during this difficult time, bear hug from our hearts to yours...all of you, Ziggy, Tom & Sophie McAfee

Tom & Ziggy - July 26 at 09:39 AM

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“ Tom & Ziggy sent a virtual gift in memory of James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger



Tom & Ziggy - July 26 at 09:31 AM



“ Thank you for your service I'm the Navy.

Ziggy & Tom - July 26 at 09:40 AM

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“ Tom lit a candle in memory of James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger





Tom - July 26 at 09:29 AM

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“ Ziggy lit a candle in memory of James Niles "Ike" Eichelberger



ziggy - July 26 at 09:28 AM

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“ Sorry for the loss of Ike he was a good friend and he helped me numerous times with CBT! I am going to miss Ike in my years to come!!!

LARRY BRYAN - July 25 at 09:30 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family. My wife and I knew Jim well. my wife went school with him and I worked at Cincinnati Bell with him. A great guy. God bless him .

JERRY BARRETT - July 25 at 10:25 AM

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“ My pawpaw for 34 years. I'm so glad you loved us grandkids so much! Every event you made it to and watching us grow. Spoiling us the best you can but the best one was my graduation seeing you watch me accomplish 18 hard years of schooling. You sat right in the back towards where we walked in and you were the first person I seen when I walked in. I'm so glad you met the great grand kids. I'm glad they remember you and got to visit you in Florida cause that was our best vacation beach and seeing you for a week. I remember you leading the band at the circus and watching you come out and dance while they played was my favorite memory of you! I miss you so much and I hope to see you soon up in heaven. Love always Linds.

lindsay - July 21 at 05:03 PM



“ Big Jim or Big Ike is what everyone referred to my Dad as. All we had to say was I'm Ike's daughter and they knew exactly who we were. He was the best...one of a kind; never knew a stranger; and always willing to help whoever needed it. Kind soul and as he grew older, much more patient man than when we were kiddos...but his girls knew he loved us no matter what. I miss him dearly, I miss talking to him as he always gave the best advice when this daughter needed it. He never judged, he just listened. I touched base with him every few days for years and it's killing me not to dial his number and hear his voice. Love you with all my heart and miss you terribly dad. love Barbara your forever peanut

**Barbara Edwards** - July 21 at 03:03 PM