



Ed Kelle

November 3, 1946 - October 11, 2018

Lawrence Edward Kelle, 71, of Evansville, passed away Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Linda E. White Hospice House surrounded by his family.

Ed was born November 3, 1946 in Evansville, the seventh child born to the late Thomas and Sophie (Ramsey) Kelle. He was a 1964 graduate of Mater Dei High School. Ed was a veteran of the United States Army and a proud member of Company D 151 Airborne Rangers, serving in Vietnam. He enjoyed attending their reunions and spending time with his Army brothers. Ed also enjoyed camping, woodworking, taking care of his back yard birds and attending his grandchildren's sporting events. Most of all though, Ed enjoyed spending time with his family. The 4th of July pool party won't be the same without him. The kid in him really came out when it was time to shoot off fireworks. And of course, we will miss those great steaks he grilled at Christmas. Ed retired from Volvo Construction Equipment where he worked as a product support representative.

Surviving Ed are his wife of 39 years, Lorraine Kelle; his children, Jill (Steve) Brooks, Craig (Katie) Kelle and Mandy Kelle; grandchildren, Jessica Decker, Kayla Knapp, Alexis, Ethan and Nikki Kelle and Dokken and Mercedes Brooks and great grandchildren, Dylan Mayse and Shelby Rainwater. Also surviving are his brother, Jerry (Barbara) Kelle, sisters, Patricia Rexing and Thelma Mitchell; numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Ed was preceded in death by two sisters, Kate Ziliak and Josie Wentzel and by a brother, Mike Kelle.

Funeral services for Ed will be held at 1:00 PM on Monday, October 15, 2018 at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 7:00 PM on Sunday and from 12:00 PM until service time on Monday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

Ed's family would like to thank everyone at Oncology Hematology Associates, from Dr. Browning and Dr. Miller to the nurses and Chemo Buddies for their care and compassion during Ed's 17 month battle. They would also like to thank Deaconess Midtown Cardiac Intensive Care staff and the Linda E. White Hospice staff for their care this past week.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project or to Chemo Buddies.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Visitation

OCT **15**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

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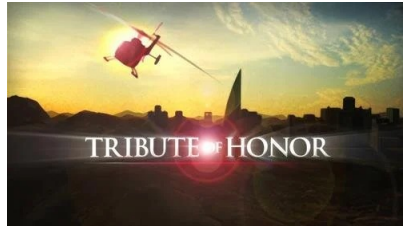
OCT **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ed Kelle*



Pierre Funeral Home - October 13, 2018 at 05:54 PM



“ *Ed Kelle*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Ed was one who I feel privileged to have known and worked with. He always had a smile and took time to explain the things I did not understand.*

Andy Capps Volvo Construction Equipment

Andy Capps - October 16, 2018 at 07:16 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ed Kelle.*



October 15, 2018 at 10:14 AM

CC

“ *I would like to express my deepest sympathy to family and friends. May all of your good memories be greater than your sadness during this difficult time. (Isaiah 25:8)*

chris c - October 15, 2018 at 08:31 AM

TT

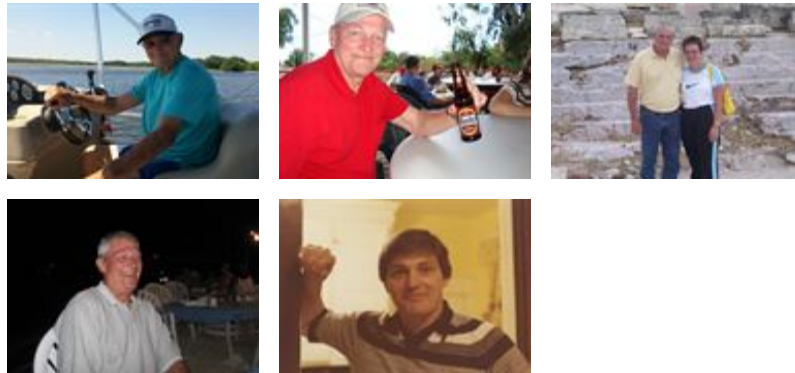
“ *Sure sorry to hear of Ed's passing. Remembering some of the great times together especially some of our fishing trips on Lake Erie. Also Loraine's meals she fixed while I lived in Erie. Sorry I won't be able to attend any of the services as I just arrived in Florida.*

Tom Titzer

Tom Titzer - October 13, 2018 at 07:44 PM



“ *104 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Pierre Funeral Home - October 13, 2018 at 04:41 PM

DW

“ I am deeply sorry to here of Ed's passing. In the many years we worked together at JCB, I was always impressed with his willingness to work together in our Product Support Group. His devotion to our company, plus his love for his family will always stand out in my mind as two of his greatest attributes. I will always remember Ed as one of the best people I ever worked with, and I will always respect him for his thorough knowledge of our industry.

God Bless,

Denny Wallace

Denny Wallace - October 13, 2018 at 01:36 PM

CH

“ I was honored to have served with Ed in Nam and got to know him. He was a good soldier and a great guy and highly thought by his fellow brothers. It pains us all that we survived Nam, but so many of our brothers have suffered from Agent Orange. God Bless him and his family!

Curtis Hester - October 12, 2018 at 05:46 PM

AK

“ Aki Shirao & Tad Kawajiri purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ed Kelle.



Aki Shirao & Tad Kawajiri - October 12, 2018 at 01:30 PM

MF

“ *Mary Parker, Julie Parker & the Croasmun Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ed Kelle.*



Mary Parker, Julie Parker & the Croasmun Family - October 12, 2018 at 01:21 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ed Kelle.*



October 12, 2018 at 12:25 PM

PB

“ *Ed was always willing to lend me his time and expertise in the early days of my career in the construction equipment industry. Ed was a good man.*

*Paul Balasssone
Volvo CE*

Paul Balassone - October 12, 2018 at 08:26 AM

AS

“ *Lorraine, I am so very sorry for your loss. You and all of your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Ed was a wonderful man and I so enjoyed working with him at Volvo.*

Alysa Shelton

Alysa Shelton - October 12, 2018 at 07:02 AM

TP

“ *Tonya and Jason Puckett purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ed Kelle.*



Tonya and Jason Puckett - October 11, 2018 at 07:31 PM