



## Edward O. Burnett

December 2, 1946 - August 3, 2020

Edward O. “Big Ed” Burnett, loving husband, dad and pap (also known as “pappy”), passed away Monday, August 3, 2020 at Deaconess Gateway Hospital.

Ed was born December 2, 1946 in Evansville to the late James Edward and Jeannette (Crockett) Burnett. He was a 1965 graduate of FJ Reitz High School; served his country in the US Air Force during the Vietnam War and was a life member of VFW Post #1114.

Ed retired from PPG Industries where he worked a rotating shift for over 30 years. Even though he worked six or seven days a week, he always made time to coach his sons’ baseball teams at Holy Redeemer Catholic School. Some of Ed’s favorite things to do included mowing his yard, operating his Case tractor, bird hunting, elk hunting in Colorado, watching IU basketball, riding his Honda Gold Wing with his wife Vicky and celebrating Christmas with his children, their spouses and all of his beloved grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Ed was preceded in death by a sister, Catherine Sharon Baldwin; brother, William “Bill” Burnett and grandsons, James Burnett, Ethan Burnett and Luke Dressler.

Surviving Ed are his wife of 53 years, Vicky (Roedel) Burnett; sons, Edward

Paul (Rayetta Brown) Burnett and Chad James (Angie) Burnett; daughter, Gina Danielle (Tim) Dressler; grandchildren, Emily, Abby, Charly, Samuel and Grace Burnett, Ella, Logan and Henry Dressler.

Funeral services for Ed will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at Pierre Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Tupman Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

Friends may visit with the family from 3:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday and from 9:00 AM until service time on Saturday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the doctors and nurses at Deaconess Gateway Hospital who worked so diligently to fight the Covid-19 virus with Ed. Nurse Vanessa, you are a special angel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Research Hospital, Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) or to the Disabled American Veterans.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tupman

Red Bank Road  
IN 47720

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Visitation

AUG 8. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## funeral

AUG 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward O. Burnett*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - August 06, 2020 at 01:57 PM



“ *Edward O. Burnett*

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *I am Ed's granddaughter. You might have seen me in the the video. I have dark brown hair. I am only nine years old. Ever since he passed away, nothing has been the same. I miss him so much. My grandfather is a wonderful caring man! I love him so muh. The video made me cry. Like, drenched in tears. I love him!*

*Sincerly, Ella V. Dressler*

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**Ella V. Dressler** - November 11, 2021 at 10:41 AM

SM

“ *The world is a darker place since Ed left us. He made my time in Vietnam a little more bearable. That experience made for a very special lifelong friendship. My heart goes out Vicky and family. So long Sarge.*

*Steve Miller  
Asheville NC  
kbmw94@yahoo.com*

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**Steve Miller** - August 08, 2020 at 11:42 AM

KH

“ *Sara and I send our condolences to you, Vicky, and your family. We are heartbroken at the loss of Ed. I definitely have many good memories of our days working together at PPG. Complications concerning the virus are keeping us from personally attending visitation. I will speak with Eddie when we can resume Nut Club meetings.*

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**Ken Hart** - August 07, 2020 at 04:42 PM

SB

“ *Vicky and all the family, I'm at a loss for the right words to say at this moment. I know you know how close we've grown over the years and I pray for your hurt and pain. You were always the perfect couple and you created the perfect family. Ed was always the brother I never had and was always there to help me with all my problems. So loving, so caring with a heart of gold. I thank God for all the good memories we shared and he will be with me the rest of my short years on this Earth. I pray for you folks and have ask God to do something special for Ed. Love you all always. Steve Burgdorf*

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**Steve Burgdorf** - August 06, 2020 at 10:46 PM

RB

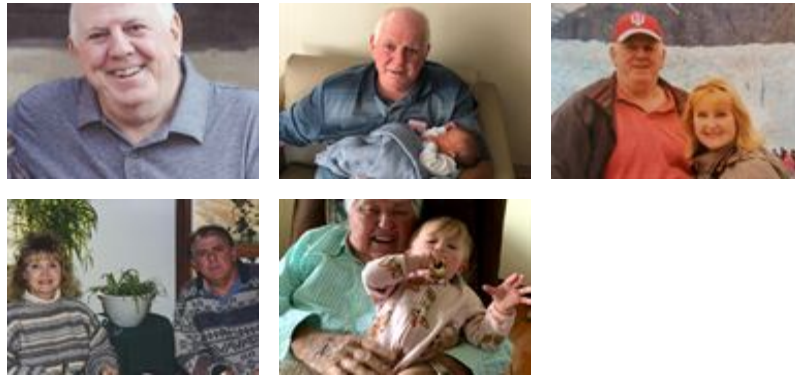
“ *Rayetta Brown lit a candle in memory of Edward O. Burnett*



Rayetta Brown - August 06, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ *117 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Pierre Funeral Home - August 06, 2020 at 01:48 PM

RB

*I very sweet caring man, love you.*

Rayetta Brown - August 06, 2020 at 05:02 PM

KR

“ *ON BEHALF OF THE COMRADES AND SISTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA YOU HAVE OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR LOVED ONE AND OUR DEPARTED COMRADE. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL. SINCERELY VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA STATE CHAPLAIN KEISTON R. HOLLOWAY*

KEISTON R. HOLLOWAY - August 06, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward O. Burnett.*



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August 06, 2020 at 09:59 AM



“ *Vicky, your family is such a big part of my childhood memories—from growing up on the next street from you, to Holy Redeemer, to funny stories Mom and Dad (and Chuck) still tell :). I've been praying God's peace and rest for you, and that your children are comforted this week with joyful memories of your precious Ed. Words can't express how sorry I am. We are going to try, but if we are not back in town in time to make his service, please know how much we love and care about you!*

*Hugs and much love, Jocelyn and Keith*

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**Jocelyn (Alvey) Rawley** - August 05, 2020 at 11:51 PM



“ *Vicky we are so very sorry to hear about Eddies death. This just came as a total shock to us. We are praying for you, your children, your grandchildren. Alton and I will not be attending the visitation or the funeral due to Covid 19, but our hearts and prayers will be with you through this difficult time!*

*Love Patty and Alton Roedel*

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**Patty & Alton Roedel** - August 05, 2020 at 09:27 PM

RG

“ Vicky, I am so very sorry to hear of your Husband's passing. Please know that you and your family are in our prayers.



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**Roseanna Goebel** - August 05, 2020 at 01:37 PM

DC

“ My sincere sympathy Ed on your loss and condolences to your Mom and family.

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**Donna Cassin** - August 05, 2020 at 12:32 PM