



Edwin John Burke III

October 28, 1948 - September 4, 2020

Edwin "Eddy" J. Burke III, 71, passed away on Friday, 4 September 2020, at home surrounded by his family. He was preceded in death by his son, Christopher Burke and parents, Edwin J. Burke Jr. and Jean Burke. He is survived by his wife, Patty Burke; children, Tim Burke (Teri) and Beth Harper (Tommy); grandchildren, Nick Burke, Tom Burke, Evie Burke, Tristan Dickinson, Amanda Burke, Jessica Hawthorne, Andrew Hawthorne; great grandchild, Christopher "CJ" Hawthorne; siblings, Kathy Burke (Bob), Lynn Weber (John), Marian Burke, Bridget Burke, Earl Burke (Sue), Eric Burke (Ruthie), Tom Burke (Wendy), Theresa Tallinger (John) and several cousins, nieces and nephews. Eddy was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to all. He had 32 years of distinguished service in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Air force. He was a Sacristan, member of the Knights of Columbus, Young at Heart, and Cursillo at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. He was Past Commander at the VFW Post 1349, a member of the American Legion Post 122 and Legion Riders. The loves of his life were his family, Church, and Pontiacs. He was loved by many and will be missed by all. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, 8 September 2020, at the Prattville Memorial Gardens in the chapel from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to say a few words is welcome to do so starting at 6:30. The funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, 9 September 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **9**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph
511 N. Memorial Dr.
Prattville, AL

Tribute Wall

BC

“ Hello My Grand Father lived on the Burke Plantation in Prattville, Ala in the late 1882
his Father was a white sheriff who fathered 2 children with a a slave by the name of Savilla. My grandfather name was Ed Burke his Brother was Henry Burke.

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Burke cawthon - April 28, 2021 at 02:46 PM

RB

“ I first met Eddy in 1996, when I met and started dating his brother Eric. He was so nice to me, and then a few months later, I met Patty. They both treated me like a member of the family from the start. They stayed with us for 2 weeks, when they were moving to Alabama from Minnesota. We had such a good time with them. Then when Eric and I got married in 1999, they came a couple of days early to help with our wedding, without us having to asked them for help



I knew that Eddy and Patty were both very active in their church. But I didn't realize just how much Eddy did in the church, until the Priest talked at the funeral about all of the duties that Eddy performed behind the scenes at the church. Eddy will be missed by everyone who knew him.

I love both Eddy and Patty, and am so glad and honored to call them my brother-in-law and sister-in-law. RIP Eddy, until we meet again. Love Ruthie Burke

Ruthie Burke - September 10, 2020 at 10:46 PM

JC

“ I will miss seeing Eddie at morning mass setting up the altar for mass. Such a great guy and we at St. Joseph's Church will miss him dearly. Hopefully, he has a nice GTO to ride around on the roads paved in gold in heaven.

Judy Carroll - September 09, 2020 at 04:17 PM

RR

“ Ed and Patsy, I started the acquaintance with them when we met at church services. I transferred my VFW membership and met Ed again there. We had a few things in common, cars, especially Pontiacs, foreign service and church. After a few years I then had his grandchildren in my classes and became more acquainted with his family. We tried a few times to search for Pontiac parts and did succeed a few times. Ed and family were very active church members and always sat in front of me in church. Ed at times would drive his vehicles to church services and we would discuss their assets.

Truly sorry to hear of his passing, my prayers go out to him and his family.

Regards, Ronald B. Ramon

Ronald Ramon - September 09, 2020 at 04:05 PM

RB

“ I'm going to miss his laugh and his great sense of humor. Love you cousin and God Bless !

Robert Burke - September 09, 2020 at 08:48 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Edwin John Burke III.*



September 08, 2020 at 11:51 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Edwin John Burke III.*



September 08, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ *William E. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edwin John Burke III.*



William E. - September 08, 2020 at 07:43 AM

KW

“ This is a tribute to my brother Ed, but also to his wife Patty who bears the burden of his loss. Wherever they landed in life, California, Milwaukee, Minnesota, and finally Alabama, they, along with Tim and Beth, spread their goodness, made lifelong friends and involved themselves in church, community, and their passion for Pontiacs. It is my hope that the love that surrounds them and the memories they have created will give his family peace and comfort in the days to come. With our loving condolences,
Kathy Wirth and Bob too

Kathy Wirth - September 07, 2020 at 01:15 PM

EB

“ Eddy was not only a great brother to me he was also like a father figure. If I ever needed anything- He was always there to help. I got to live with Eddy and Patty for a part of my rebellious teenage years. They helped me through a rough time. We worked on cars together. Unlike my father he didn't yell at me to fetch tools or when I made mistakes. 4 brothers in our family and we all love Pontiacs ! Beside Pontiacs we all had something that I love very much- Jetboat's ! Boating was always part of our family. Our Dad and Eddy both worked for Evinrude. When ever I smell 2/stroke I feel good because it usually means something fun like boats, snowmobiles, or dirt bikes.

We helped each other over the years. He always loved practical jokes. Teasing our 5 sisters. Hidden rubber snakes, spiders and worms. Screaming was often heard. He would be found laughing-hiding around the corner. We both liked to socialize with many friends and relatives. Like me he was a People person. It hurts me to say goodbye to my sibling. First one lost. He knows Jesus died for him and he can join others in Heaven. I love you Eddy R.I.P. Earl B. Squirrel

Earl Burke - September 07, 2020 at 10:26 AM

NF

“ Dan and I never had the pleasure of meeting Ed. But I know this one thing. Seeing the wonderful, loving, caring son that he raised...Tim. That's all I need to know about him. What a wonderful man, and I'm certain Tim's Mom is a beautiful person as well. RIP Ed, fly high and free 🙏

Nan and Dan Francis - September 06, 2020 at 06:25 PM

BB

“ To Patty, Tim, Beth and families,
Gene and I would like to send our condolences. We had many happy days back when the guys rode- shared together. New Prague and New Market seems like a life time ago.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you navigate through the loss of Eddy.
Blessings,
Gene and Barb Bilderback

Barb Bilderback - September 06, 2020 at 05:57 PM

LP

“ It all began when I went to visit Patty and Eddy for the first time. I drove from the Atlanta Airport to I don't know where. I called Eddy and said "Eddy I'm lost come find me. I don't know where I am". Funny now but not then, and he did find me. I was in a pretty bad place back then, I remember Patty telling Eddy and myself to sit on the porch and talk. And talk we did, all night starting with beers and ending with Patty's good morning coffee ☕. He helped me through the most difficult time in my life . I am forever grateful!! You can always count on Eddy, he was a true blessing. I know he will always be watching over Patty and all who loved him. God bless you Eddy 🙏

LuAnn Pumper - September 06, 2020 at 04:47 PM