



Eben "Bud" Leon Dunkin

February 21, 1927 - March 30, 2015

Eben Leon Dunkin "Bud"

Age 88, Indianapolis, passed away on March 30, 2015. Bud was born in Quincy, Ind., on Feb. 21, 1927, the son of the late Eben L. and Mae (Query) Dunkin. Following graduation from Quincy High School, Bud served in the U.S. Army in World War II before returning home to marry Florence Ruth Cummings, also of Quincy. Their marriage lasted for more than 68 wonderful years. He spent most of his working years at Chrysler Corp. in Indianapolis, where he retired as a foreman. He was a member of the Old Bethel United Methodist Church.

In addition to Florence, Bud is survived by his son Zach (Carol) Dunkin of Indianapolis, brother Larry (Cheryl) Dunkin of Greenwood, grandchildren Evan Dunkin of Indianapolis, Kelsey Dunkin of Sebastopol, CA, Kevin (Dawn) Mahan of Delaware, OH, Rick (Sheryl) Mahan of Hilliard, OH, Beth Mahan of Columbus, OH and five great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter Jan (Paul) Nusser of Grove City, OH, an infant son and sister Nola (Bob) Cummings of Indianapolis.

Bud loved sports, especially the Hoosiers and the Cubs. "Defense wins games," he'd always say. His favorite times of the year were in March during NCAA basketball tourney and in fall when the major league baseball playoffs and the World Series were being played. He loved the high school

tournament, too, but argued that the multi-class format ruined it. More than anything, he loved his family. His favorite holiday was Christmas when the family would fill the Dunkin's eastside home with laughter and joy. And when all of the gifts had been unwrapped he'd rise from his favorite chair and hand out the much-appreciated "Christmas cash" to everyone.

He was a history buff and was especially knowledgeable of the Civil War. Honest Abe Lincoln was his favorite historic figure, which seemed apropos for a man who prided himself on honesty and doing the right thing. Just two days before his death, he told his granddaughter Kelsey that he tried to treat everyone well and fairly his entire life and felt like he had done "a pretty good job" of it. Those who knew him would have to agree.

Visitation is Monday, April 6 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St., Indianapolis. A service will follow at 2 p.m., followed by burial at the Combes Cemetery in Quincy. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association at www.diabetes.org. Condolences and memories of Bud may be shared at www.shirleybrothers.com.

Cemetery Details

Combes Cemetery

CR 1050 N
Gosport, IN 47433

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

APR 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Deepest sympathies to your family during this difficult time. Your family was always so kind, close and always had an open door to all from Warren Central High School. Please feel comfort knowing that not just those in your family but others thought of Bud as a wonderful, caring, and thoughtful man. Sincerely, Don and Donna Crawford

Donna Crawford - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 PM

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“ I have such fond memories of my cousin, Bud, over the years. He was a wonderful person, and I was always be grateful for the kindness he and Fon showed to June and Darla, when my brother, Don, was in the hospital in Indianapolis. They opened their home and their hearts to them. I will also miss emailing Bud and receiving all those jokes from him !!!
Ron and I send our sincere sympathy to Fon and Zach and the rest of the family.
The world has lost a wonderful person. Rest in Peace, Dear Bud.

Nancy (Michaels) Chapman

Nancy Ann Michaels Chapman - April 03, 2015 at 11:10 PM

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“ Patti, Lola, and Scott and Leeanne purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eben "Bud" Leon Dunkin.



Patti, Lola, and Scott and Leeanne - April 03, 2015 at 10:50 AM

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“ We're sorry for your loss, your family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Jeri and Perry Reichanadter - April 03, 2015 at 09:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Eben "Bud" Leon Dunkin.



April 02, 2015 at 03:30 PM