



## Edwin Kent Kiefner

September 7, 1935 - July 4, 2020

Ed Kiefner, 84 years old, died Saturday, July 4, 2020 at The Arbors in Cape Girardeau, MO. He was born September 7, 1935 to Edwin Luckey Kiefner and Elizabeth Kent Kiefner.

Ed graduated from Perryville High School and then from Westminster College in 1957. He was first married to Patricia Barton Kiefner, who preceded him in death February 27, 2002. He then married Luanne Lough Kiefner August 31, 2003.

He is survived by his wife, Luanne Lough Kiefner; sons, Kent (Kathy) Kiefner, Thomas (Nancy) Kiefner and Matthew (Karla) Kiefner as well as stepson, Barry (Sharon) Urhahn and stepdaughter Leigh (John Sheridan) Vosseller. He is also survived by grandchildren, Jenna Kiefner, Phillip (Nichole) Kiefner, Abby (Adam) Rowan, Joseph (Lauren) Kiefner, Blake (Hannah) Kiefner, Elizabeth Kiefner, John Kiefner, Paige (Trevor) Cook, Jacquelyn Kiefner, Madeline Urhahn, Grace Urhahn, Mikayla Vosseller and Hayden Vosseller; and three great-grandchildren Cate Kiefner, Willa Mae Kiefner and Braylan Dyer.

Ed was commissioned as 2nd lieutenant in the US Marine Corps in 1957 serving over 30 years including overseas duty in Okinawa, Japan and South Korea. He retired as Colonel and served as commanding officer of the 3rd

Battalion 24th Marines Reserve unit in St. Louis from 1972-1974.

In 1968 Ed became president of Kiefner Brothers Inc, a third-generation family-owned construction company, until his retirement in 1998. During his career, he served on multiple boards including Citizen Electric, Southeast Hospital, Chateau Girardeau, Home Trust Mercantile Bank of Perryville, Boatmen's Bank, Montgomery Bank, Perryville Industrial Development Corporation, Perryville Board of Alderman, Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club of Perryville and Cape Girardeau, American Legion Post 1033, and Elks Lodge of Perryville.

Of all the projects and accomplishments throughout his career, what brought him the most joy and what he was most proud of was being one of the founding members of Faith Presbyterian Church of Perryville (EPC) established in 2011 and officially recognized by the EPC in 2013. The church is located in the original Kiefner Lumber Company where Ed's career began.

Ed had a great passion for fishing and hunting which he enjoyed for many years with his father and passed that love down to his sons and grandchildren. His favorite saying in later life was that he had two good wives and several great dogs.

Friends may call 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, July 10, 2020 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau and from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 11, 2020 at Faith Presbyterian Church of Perryville.

Private family service will be at 11 a.m., July 11, 2020 at Faith Presbyterian Church of Perryville with the Rev. Bruce Owens officiating.

Burial will be at Home Cemetery in Perryville with graveside military rites provided by Missouri Honors Team.

Memorial contributions may be given to Faith Presbyterian Church of Perryville, 100 W North Street, Perryville, Missouri 63775 or Missouri's National Veterans Memorial, P.O. Box 566, Perryville, MO 63775.

# Cemetery Details

## Home Cemetery

Perryville, MO 63775

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **10.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Visitation

JUL **11.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Presbyterian Church of Perryville  
100 W. North Street  
Perryville, MO 63775

# Tribute Wall

LZ

“ Dear Kiefner Family, Please accept my sincere sympathy on the passing of Mr Kiefner. He was held in high esteem by me and my late husband Dr Zoffuto. Best wishes to you dear Louanne. God bless you all. LouAnn Hays Zoffuto Midlothian Virginia

LouAnn H Zoffuto - July 10, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.



July 09, 2020 at 06:59 PM

MA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, deepest sympathy from Mary Allen and Family



Mary Allen - July 09, 2020 at 06:25 PM

JK

“ John D Kiefner lit a candle in memory of Edwin Kent Kiefner



John D Kiefner - July 09, 2020 at 04:48 PM

JK

*Goodbye Uncle Eddie. Condolences to the family. Our prayers are with you.*

**John D Kiefner** - July 09, 2020 at 04:50 PM

BB

*RIP Ed. It was a pleasure seeing with you at Camp Hansen in the 3 rd Tank Bn. In Okinawa. It was great seeing you at our last reunion. Semper Fi, Bill Bergin Indio,ca.*

**Bill Bergin** - August 17, 2020 at 06:46 PM

KB

“ *Ken and Betty Buzbee purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



**Ken and Betty Buzbee** - July 09, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



July 09, 2020 at 12:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



July 09, 2020 at 12:15 AM

AT

“ We wanted to honor Ed with a very patriotic bouquet at his funeral – since Ed spent his life with great DEVOTION to his Creator, to his Country, and to his Family.

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Ed's sister, Ann Kiefner Tews, her husband Glenn and daughters' Susan and Fran Tews*

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**Ann Kiefner Tews** - July 08, 2020 at 08:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.



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July 08, 2020 at 06:11 PM

AM

“ All our love, Mike, Linda, Nick, Brock and Maddox purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.



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**All our love, Mike, Linda, Nick, Brock and Maddox** - July 08, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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July 08, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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July 08, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ *I have the best memories growing up in Perryville across our little dead end street from the Kiefners. It was a wonderful time and place to be a kid, and it was because of people like Mr. Kiefner and everyone else in our neighborhood. He was an imposing figure with a heart of gold. I remember seeing him run every day in his Marine Corps t-shirt, and I had so much respect for the discipline he always showed. I find some comfort imagining most of the gang back together now in heaven, having a cocktail or two. Lots of love and prayers to my old neighbors — Kent, Tom, and Matt — and to Luanne and all the rest of your family.*

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**Jennifer Coad** - July 07, 2020 at 09:13 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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July 07, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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July 07, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ *I worked for the Kiefner Brothers for many years as an electrical subcontractor on several projects. Working with and getting to know Tom, Matt, Mark Vogel and the staff was great. I wish I could have met Mr. Edwin. Please accept our heart felt condolences.*

*Sincerely,  
Tim and Penny Grigery*

*Formerly Chelsea Electric Co., Inc*

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**Tim Grigery** - July 07, 2020 at 04:43 PM

TG

“ *Tim and Penny Grigery purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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**Tim and Penny Grigery** - July 07, 2020 at 04:19 PM

MJ

“ *From our family to yours we extend our deepest sympathy for your loss. Ed's charisma and compassion will be missed by many. Godspeed Sir.*

*The Jaegers Family.*

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**Mike Jaegers** - July 07, 2020 at 10:55 AM

JB

“ *Terribly sorry for your loss. Prayers for peace*

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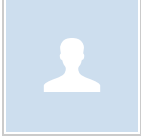
**Jeff Barnicle** - July 07, 2020 at 08:32 AM

LJ

“ *Luanne my heart breaks for you and his children. Ed was a wonderful, funny, and caring person. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers.*

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**Liz Jones** - July 07, 2020 at 01:18 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Edwin Kent Kiefner.*



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July 06, 2020 at 11:01 PM