



Edward H. Larkin

June 13, 1924 - March 1, 2019

Beloved father, grandfather and great grandfather peacefully passed away Friday, March 1, 2019 at his winter home in Bradenton, Florida, age 94. Ed very

much enjoyed his many friends and the community of Mt. Vernon over the course of 36 winters.

Son of the late Ella May (nee Cunningham) and Robert Emmett Larkin, he was

born at home on Parker Street, June 13, 1924 in Gardner, Massachusetts. He was the third of fourteen children. Graduated Gardner High School in 1942, where he was an accomplished runner on the cross country team, under mentor

and coach, William Footrick. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII as a paratrooper in Europe. Graduated Lawrence Technological University and was employed by General Motors Fisher Body Division for 27 years as a Manufacturing Engineer.

Ed married Eleanor Nichiporuk on October 29, 1943. She predeceased him on

January 12, 2005. Surviving are three daughters and their spouses: Karen (Hardy) McWilliams of Mansfield, Texas, Deborah (Charles) Cutting of Austin, Texas, and Pamela (Allyn) MacKay of Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

In addition to his daughters, he is survived by his dear companion of 12 years, Doris Miller, of Clinton Township, Michigan.

Also surviving are cherished grandchildren: Melissa (McWilliams) and Ondrej Fojtik of Chicago, Illinois, Holly (McWilliams) and Sean Clark of Cedar Park, Texas, Jared (Crystal) Cutting of Lubbock, Texas, Megan (Cutting) and Steve Sallese of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Leah and Paisley MacKay, of Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

He is also survived by nine great-grandchildren: Eleanor, Bailey and Mallory Clark, Mia, Maxim and Beck Fojtik, Ember and Haddie Cutting, and Sage Sallese.

He is survived by sisters: Eleanor, Florence (aka Mickey), Jane, Roberta (aka Bobbie), Mary, and Sandra. He was predeceased by siblings Robert, John, Mary, Helen (aka Pat), John, and Barbara. He is survived by sister-in-law, Lottie Cranford.

Ed was dearly loved by those who knew him, and his sharp sense of humor and skillful card playing will be missed. He was a special dad, and always a gentleman to the women in his life.

Family members would like to extend their gratitude to the staff at Tidewell Hospice, and Approved Home Health Care, of Bradenton, Florida for the care and support they have given.

Friends may call at Wasik Funeral Home, 49150 Schoenherr Rd., Shelby Township, where the family will be present on Sunday, March 10, 2019 from 2 to

8 p.m. Military Ceremony and Celebration of Life will take place at 6 p.m.

Committal service with Military Honors will take place Monday, March 11, 2019 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road, Holly, Michigan at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Gary Sinise Foundation,

PO Box 368 · Woodland Hills, CA · 91365. Contact (888) 708-7757 or donor@garysinisefoundation.org.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

Sharing of Memories

MAR 10. 6:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
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Committal Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Cards on the Bourjaily's cloud - I'm sure they have played many since Ed has gone "home". Within a week of purchasing my first home Ed "surprised" me with a visit, (thinking it was due to my fathers request), he took a walk about to make certain it was 'sturdy', then left and came back with a lawn mower! Both Eleanor and Ed were special people to my parents and to me; when I think of them it's always with a smile. My heartfelt condolences.
Cindy (Bourjaily) Basirico

Cindy Basirico - April 28, 2021 at 08:29 AM



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Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - March 10, 2019 at 01:34 PM

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“ I interviewed Ed at a recovery facility last May to get his military history. I spent an 1 hr 21 minutes asking him questions and getting responses on a voice recorder. I sent a transcript to the family and will give them a voice recording. Ed was always cheerful, even after a moment of pain. His wartime memory's were always given in a positive tone with lots of chuckles while describing events that seemed to pain him. He never complained. He will be missed by his Airborne friends. At the end of my conversation a nurse came in the room to get his dinner requirements. Ed said "hell just give me some soup". Doris, his companion, mentioned that ed was a WWII vet so the nurse asked what he did in the war. Ed responded "I survived", which was typical of his humor.

God bless.

Phillip M. Griglio

Secretary Treasurer

James W Etherton Chapter, Detroit

82nd Airborne Division Association.

Phillip M Griglio - March 10, 2019 at 01:06 PM

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“ Sincere sympathy to the entire family at this time.
Mr. Larkin lived a wonderful life with a great sense of humor, always made me and everyone feel good in his company.
I am happy to see you and teddy reunited again.
Love and peace,
Judy C.

Judy - March 10, 2019 at 11:21 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Edward H. Larkin.*



March 09, 2019 at 07:45 PM



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Dee - March 06, 2019 at 09:39 AM



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Dee - March 06, 2019 at 09:38 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward H. Larkin.*



March 04, 2019 at 07:40 PM