



Ernest Truett Eastwood Jr.

October 10, 1942 - February 26, 2025

Ernest “Ernie” T. Eastwood Jr., aged 82, of Ridgeland, Mississippi, passed away peacefully at his home on Wednesday, February 26, 2025.

Born on October 10, 1942, in San Antonio, Texas, he was the son of Maxine (Cole) Frances Eastwood and Ernest Truett Eastwood Sr.

Ernie’s educational journey began at Burbank Junior and High School and continued at Northside High School, now known as John Marshall High School. He furthered his studies at San Antonio College before earning a Bachelor degree in Mathematics from St. Mary’s University in 1964.

Demonstrating a commitment to lifelong learning, Ernie pursued additional studies at the University of Texas at Austin and Our Lady of the Lake University, culminating in a Master’s degree in Special Education from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Embarking on a dedicated teaching career, Ernie made significant contributions to the San Antonio Independent School District. He taught special needs students at Eloise Japhet Elementary School, where he also championed the chess club, fostering critical thinking and camaraderie among his students. Later, he continued his educational impact at John Greenleaf Whittier Middle School, inspiring young minds with his passion for learning.

From an early age, Ernie had a passion for aviation, particularly in flying and

sharing the joy of radio-controlled airplanes. His enthusiasm led him to become an active member of the Boerne Area Model Society (BAMS), a RC model airplane flying club located in Boerne, Texas. He served as BAMS president for two consecutive years, from 2009 to 2010, promoting the hobby and mentoring fellow enthusiasts. Ernie was also deeply involved in his community; his commitment to service began with the Boy Scouts and extended into his adult life. He was an active member of the Rotary Club of Boerne, serving as president for one year. Additionally, he was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church of Boerne, where he found spiritual fulfillment and fellowship.

Ernie was preceded in death by his parents, Maxine and Truett Sr. He is survived by daughter Robin Eastwood Wheeler and her husband Brad Wheeler; granddaughter, Zoë Wheeler, son Tom Eastwood; sister Vicki Deuel and her husband Lloyd E. Deuel; and brother Terry Eastwood and his wife Cheryl Eastwood, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held on Monday March 10, 2025, at 1:00 at Mission Park North Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to The Boerne Area Model Society (website is boerner.org, email is bamsweb@boerner.org) in Ernie's memory. Ernie will be remembered as a beloved family and community member. His legacy will continue to inspire all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park

20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Previous Events

Graveside Ceremony

MAR **10**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Mission Burial Park North
20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

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