



Larry Lee Eifler, 1947 – 2022

Larry was born October 29, 1947 in Evansville, Indiana to Oliver and Marie (Patmore) Eifler. Growing up in Chandler, Indiana, Larry attended Chandler Elementary School and graduated from Castle High School in 1965. As a young man he was very active in band, a ten-year member of Thorney Grove 4-H Club in Warrick County, and an active member of his church youth group.

Larry attended University of Evansville where he earned his Bachelors of Music Education while majoring in Clarinet, followed by earning his Masters of Music, with an emphasis in strings, from Indiana State University. He began his Instrumental Music teaching career in 1969 with the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation and remained with the Evansville Community Schools until his retirement in 2006. He taught the students of Bosse and F.J. Reitz High Schools, McGary Middle School, and many of the elementary schools in the corporation. His most memorable performance was the 1972 Bosse HS Marching Band trip to Germany where the band won the Marching Band Contest and performed at the Olympic Village. In addition to educating students Larry served part of his career as Instrumental Music Supervisor for EVSC.

Larry was initiated into Phi Beta Mu International Bandmaster's Honorary Fraternity in 1983. A member and Past President of both Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and the Indiana Bandmasters Association, Larry was also a member of Indiana Music Educators, Indiana State Music Association, and Reed Masonic Lodge. Larry was a 56-year member of the Chandler Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Chandler where he was an Elder and participated in many functions of the church.

Larry enjoyed gardening, fishing, hunting, his dogs, and vacations to Canada and Alaska. Larry was preceded in death by grandparents, parents, and infant brother. Larry was a devoted family man, forever friend, outstanding teacher, and the very best Grandpa. He passed away on March 2nd at University Place Heath Care in West Lafayette and is survived by his wife Pam of fifty-two years, son Jonathan (Solange), brother Mark (Rhonda), granddaughters, Gabriela and Paola Eifler; nieces Jayce (Justin) Manning and children Ava and James; Krista (Jonathan) Hogan and children, Asher and Turner; many special cousins and their families. A memorial service will take place at a later date at the Chandler Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Chandler, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Chandler Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 338 S. State St. Chandler, Indiana 47610.