



Eric Lord

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Eric Harriman Lord, beloved husband, father, grandfather, godfather, colleague, and friend passed away on Monday, January 6th, 2025, at the age of 63 after a courageous battle with ALS. Born in Queens, New York to Frank and Minna Lord, Eric had a happy childhood with his sister Susie growing up in New York City and later in Westwood, New Jersey. His childhood consisted of trips to the family cabin in Berryville, Virginia, playing on the little league baseball team coached by his father Frank, and developing an avid love of aviation and the U.S. Air Force.

Eric chose to serve in the U.S. Air Force, beginning with an ROTC Scholarship at Rutgers University. He met the love of his life and future wife Kathy while attending Rutgers. Eric and Kathy became engaged and married at the Rutgers Chapel, and remained happily married for 37 years. They raised two sons, Stephen and Peter, and moved all across the U.S. throughout his Air Force career. Notably, Eric spent time and made lifelong friendships while stationed in Albuquerque, NM and San Antonio, TX. In his final tour of duty, Eric was stationed at the Pentagon, where he was present during the attacks of September 11th 2001. Eric returned to the Pentagon later that evening in what became the defining moment of his Air Force career.

Eric subsequently deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba where he continued to support the U.S. post 9/11 effort. Major Eric Lord retired from the U.S. Air Force in 2004 after 20 years of dedicated service. Soon after, Eric joined Booz Allen Hamilton where he worked as an acquisitions and program management contractor with a number of incredible teams over the course of almost 20 years.

Eric was a beloved father who prioritized spending time with his sons, cheering them on at sporting events, and enduring the elements during numerous Boy Scout outings. Eric particularly enjoyed taking memorable trips with his family to Ireland and Kentucky to explore his passion for whisky and bourbon. His enthusiasm extended to volunteering with organizations such as the Wounded Warrior Project with Booz Allen and the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, where he shared his love of military history and aviation with others. As an active and devout member of the Catholic Church, Eric served as a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus, actively supported Youth Ministry, and volunteered with the Diocese of Arlington Work Camp alongside Kathy.

Known for his kind heart and gentle spirit, Eric will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Eric is survived by the love of his life, Kathleen, and their two sons Stephen (Erin) Lord and Peter Lord. He cherished his role as a grandfather to Connor and Emma Lord, whose laughter brought him immense joy. He is also survived by his sister, Susan (John) Krebs, and their sons, Xavier and Paul Krebs.

Please join us to celebrate Eric's life on Monday, January 13th from 5pm to 8pm at the Miller Funeral Home in Woodbridge, VA. His Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday, January 14th at 11am at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Manassas, VA. Eric will be laid to rest at Quantico National Cemetery on Wednesday, January 15th at 10am.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Eric's name to the ALS Association or So Others May Eat, a Washington D.C. charity dedicated to feeding the less fortunate in our local area.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **13**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Mass

JAN **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
12975 Purcell Road
Manassas, VA 20112

Burial

JAN **15**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172-1636
(703) 221-2183

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Westling Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Eric Lord.*



The Westling Family - January 13, 2025 at 02:03 PM

RE

“ *I met Eric two years ago and his gentle kind spirit was sincere and refreshing to see. He and I shared a special connection as we share the same birthday. I call him by birthday twin. From now until my last breath I will always remember my birthday twin. Rest Easy Eric. Miss you already.*

Renee - January 13, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eric Lord.*

January 13, 2025 at 09:33 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eric Lord.*



January 13, 2025 at 09:33 AM

AZ

“ Audrey and Steve Zeidan purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Eric Lord.



Audrey and Steve Zeidan - January 13, 2025 at 07:48 AM

PE

“ 31 files added to the album Family Pictures



peterlord.pml - January 13, 2025 at 12:12 AM

ST

“ 30 files added to the album Family Pictures



stephen.erin.lord - January 12, 2025 at 10:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eric Lord.

January 12, 2025 at 06:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Eric Lord.



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“ *Love The Gordon Weiss Family* purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Eric Lord.



Love The Gordon Weiss Family - January 12, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ *Randy Brewer and family* purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Eric Lord.



Randy Brewer and family - January 12, 2025 at 10:18 AM

JR

“ Janet Ritchey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Lord.

Janet Ritchey - January 11, 2025 at 07:07 PM

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“ Janet Ritchey purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eric Lord.



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“ - Susie & John & Xavier & Paul purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eric Lord.



- Susie & John & Xavier & Paul - January 11, 2025 at 04:29 PM



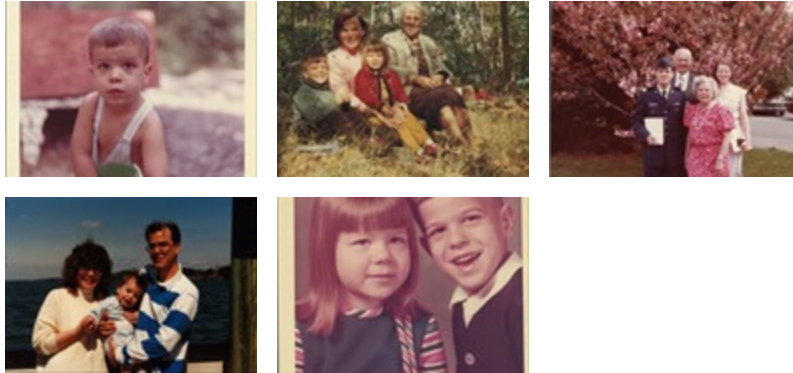
“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eric Lord.



January 11, 2025 at 02:09 PM

SK

“ 15 files added to the album from Susie's pictures



Susan Krebs - January 10, 2025 at 06:23 PM

HJ

Eric was a beloved wingman whose focus was family, faith and friends. He was just a kind and gentle soul who impacted so many youth and adult lives. Rest in peace wingman.

hans jerrell - January 12, 2025 at 09:42 PM

TC

“ The German Crew purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Eric Lord.



The German Crew - January 10, 2025 at 01:21 PM