



David Eisenbise

June 2, 1941 - December 27, 2021

Our human hearts are grieving, but our souls' hearts are celebrating because we know he is no longer suffering. David passed peacefully from this world on December 27, 2021, after a courageous battle with Covid-19.

He is survived by his spouse of 32 years, Teresa, his daughters, Ruth (Paul Lore) Maestre, Jennifer (Troy) Spiker, and Rachel (Ben) Hughes, and in the words of Brad Paisley, he was the father "he didn't have to be" to Christy Minnis and Misty Davenport. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Allison Blake, Victoria (Spencer) McKenney, Samuel, Eleanor, and Thomas Hughes, his sister, Susan Muffett, his sisters-in-law, Jan Rager and Dana (Chris) Hogue, his brother-in-law, David (Jenny) Van Matre, his mother-in-law, Mary Van Matre, and an extended family of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews. He is also survived by all his brothers and sisters in law enforcement.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Evelyn Eisenbise, his brother, Jack Rager, his brother-in-law, Lee Muffett, his son-in-law, Jon Maestre, his beloved Aunt and Uncle Rachel and Lester Coffman, his mother-in-law, Judy Cornett, his father-in-law, Ralph David Van Matre, and his grandson, Noah Davenport.

David was a graduate of the 1959 class of Pendleton High School and studied

at the University of Louisville.

He was a retiree of the Madison County Sheriff's Department. David wrote computer programs back when computers took up the whole room. He worked many different jobs after "retirement" and considered himself a jack of all trades, master of none. David was working in security at Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing and Casino at the time of his passing. He enjoyed traveling with friends and family and seeing historic sites across the country.

David supported his daughters in 4-H, Job's Daughters, and color guard. He was a proud Mason, a member of Madison Lodge #44 in Pendleton, and was honored to have served twice as Worshipful Master. He was a former Shrine Club member.

If you were friends with David on Facebook, you knew he was passionate about his beliefs. He was in "Facebook Jail" several times for sharing his political opinions.

There will be a Celebration of Life on April 2, 2022, in the Pavilion at Mounds State Park

We want to thank the doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, and all the staff of Community Hospital Anderson that go into giving excellent care to patients, especially during this pandemic! It does not go unnoticed. David mentioned several times that he was receiving excellent care.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Madison County Humane Society and/or ASPCA in his honor.

Tribute Wall

BB

“ Dave was 2nd Shift Lt. And my field training officer when I went on MCSD. REALLY enjoyed my time with him, and valued our friendship throughout the years. My heartfelt condolences to his family. He will be missed

Bret Busby - January 12, 2022 at 05:05 PM



“ David was my Lt when I first came on the road back in the late 80s. He intimidated me a lot until they sent us on a transport to pick up a prisoner in Oklahoma City. We had a memorable time and was a friend from that day forward! He knew how to take charge of a situation and was well respected by the officers. He sold me one of my first rental properties when he was a realtor and had a wit about him where he would throw out some Zingers! You will be missed Lt! Sincerely, Tim Basey (Retired MCPD, Current Chief in Markleville)

Tim Basey - January 12, 2022 at 03:54 PM

RG

“ David was our evening shift Lt. at the Sheriff's Dept. when I was a dispatcher there many years ago. He was great to work with and I will miss him and his Facebook posts!!

*Prayers,
Rhonda (Kantner) Goforth*

Rhonda Goforth - January 12, 2022 at 02:07 PM

RR

David and I met through the Sheriff's when I was a teenager in the Explorer Scouts. Fast forward we had some great times at MCPD / MCSD over the years. Part of friendship was sharing the same Birthday day, working together at the Sheriff's Department and in investigations. Many talks about many things over the years. Rest In Peace our brother and hugs and prayers for your loved ones. GOD BLESS

Ron Richardson - January 12, 2022 at 06:55 PM


BM

I worked with Dave way back in the day. He was a dependable and great guy to work with. He will be missed by many!!!

*Bill McCallister
ISP Retired*

Bill McCallister - January 12, 2022 at 08:54 PM

SH

David was a great friend and mentor to me as a reserve deputy and as a merit officer. We last worked together at the Anderson University Police/Security Department. He was well respected and fun to work with, but he had a serious side for sure. I am going to miss you Lt. (Major) Eisenbise 

Stephen L Holtzleiter - January 13, 2022 at 01:26 PM

TB

David was one of the good ones. Even as a Reserve Officer he never hesitated to assign me to an area on my own. But he did tell me once I should ride with him some instead of Basey. Didn't know if he was kidding or not but after riding a lot with Basey, I know he was serious! Terry Baines former Reserve and now SGT. in CID for HCSO in Georgia.

Terry Baines - January 14, 2022 at 07:49 PM