



Bruce Albert Eckard

October 8, 1944 - December 20, 2024

Bruce Eckard, 80, of St Petersburg, FL and Myrtle Beach, SC passed away December 20, 2024 at his home in Myrtle Beach, SC. Bruce was born October 8, 1944 in Nottingham, England to Oliver and Simone Eckard. Bruce had a long career in Banking in the Tampa Bay area and was a former member of Tampa East Sertoma Club. In retirement Bruce loved to travel and share the world and experiences with his wife Paula. He also loved to cook, read and enjoy the sunsets over Boca Ciega Bay in St. Petersburg.

He was a loving husband to his beloved wife Paula, a proud father and grandfather to his son Kevin and grandson Eric and a loving brother to his dear sister Gisele (Roger) Harrah. He was predeceased by his brother David Eckard and leaves behind many nieces, nephews and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

A Celebration of Life will be held 11:00 AM, Friday, January 10th, 2025 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel in Murrells Inlet, SC with reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, donations to Tideland Community Hospice would be appreciated.

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

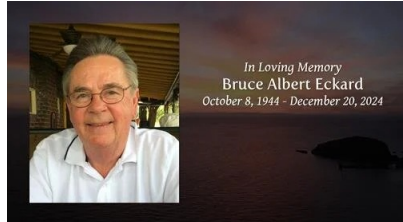
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Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel
11528 Highway 17 Bypass
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576
<http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Bruce Albert Eckard*



Goldfinch Funeral Home - January 09, 2025 at 09:57 AM

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“ *We only visited with Bruce and Paula a couple of times but enjoyed their company very much. He was our daughter's father-in-law. Our sympathies are with his dear wife Paula and his grandson, Eric. May he be at peace.*
Lynne and Dennis Eagle



Dennis & Lynne Eagle - January 06, 2025 at 03:58 PM

MG

“ I just spoke to you a week ago and now 40 years has slipped away. Boy did we have some fun! Wed. night guys only dinner at my house - Bruce always cooked. He was a great cook. One that beats them all is when Bruce released live lobsters in the kitchen and they were running everywhere. All the guys hysterically running around corralling them.

Paula was his anchor and I'm proud to say I introduced them. Everyone said they were meant to be. Married on a ship in Miami with a huge group of friends. The cruising never stopped, tux and gown at the captains table. We even celebrated Bruce's 65th(?) birthday on a dinner cruise.

Bruce's rendition of Elvis's Blue Blue Christmas was not to be missed. His son would be proud as Bruce was of his son's opera career.


Several times a year a group of us would go fishing somewhere in Florida. Dinner out and drinks at the club. A smaller group of us rented a houseboat many times and traveled the St. Johns River or the Suwannee River for days. Swimming the cold-water springs and fishing for dinner. Never too old to go down that slide and dinner on the boat was always a feast. No TV, no internet, no phone. Just the company of great friends and mother nature.

We hit milestones together. Bruce was at my nephews bar mitzvah, my parents 50th anniversary at Malios, tons of birthdays and sadly a few funerals.

Always dependable, always a great buddy, always, we will miss you. Love you Bru.

Murr Goldenberg and Carol





Murr Goldenberg - January 02, 2025 at 09:10 AM

CM

“ *I only knew Bruce through the wonderful things Paula always said about him. He fixed dinner, he'd help carry her mahjong bag. What a very nice guy. The love of her life and vise versa. May he rest in peace.*

Charline McDonald - December 24, 2024 at 05:16 AM