

Russell A. Eckert, M.D.

Services for Russell A. Eckert, M.D., 80, of Logansport, were held at 11 a.m. today in Trinity Episcopal Church.

He died at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2005, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born March 19, 1925, in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was the son of Russell Webster and Ivy Mae Buchtman Eckert. On Nov. 7, 1947, in Indianapolis, he was married to Norma Lee Walker, who survives.

A Logansport resident since 1955, Dr. Eckert was retired from Associated Radiologists. During his career he served as a physician for the U.S. Navy (attached to the U.S. Marines) and then with hospitals serving Cincinnati, Chicago, Marion, Logansport, Peru, Monticello, Rochester, Winamac and Bunker Hill/Grissom Air Reserve Base. Dr. Eckert was certified by the American Board of Radiology. He was a member of the Society of Nuclear Medicine, American College of Radiology, Indiana Roentgen Society and Chicago Roentgen Society.

A graduate of Thomas Carr Howe High School in Indianapolis, Dr. Eckert was a 1947 graduate of Indiana University. As a double track student, Dr. Eckert also graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine in the same year. He served a residency in radiology at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Dr. Eckert was a member of the Irvington Masonic Lodge, Indianapolis Scottish Rite and the Indianapolis Murat Temple.

A United States Navy veteran of the Korean War, Dr. Eckert was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3790, American Legion Post #60 and the Logansport Elks.

Dr. Eckert enjoyed meeting people and exploring places with his wife and children, exhibiting the propensity throughout his life to learn as much as he could and to prejudge no one. He never pretended to be anything or anyone he wasn't and yet was reluctant to accept accolades for his accomplishments. His family loves him dearly and respects him absolutely.

Also surviving are two sons, Todd E. Eckert, Indianapolis, and Scott R. Eckert and his wife, Nancy, Portland, Ore.; one daughter, Cynthia L. Hansen and her husband, Niels, Mechanicsburg, Penn.; and three grandchildren, Caitlin C. Hansen, E. Lansing, Mich., and Emily L. Hansen and Karsten E. Hansen, both of Mechanicsburg, Penn.

One son Drew Walker Eckert preceded in death on June 23, 1979.

The Rev. Father Frank King officiated at the services. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Drew Walker Eckert Memorial Chapel, c/o Logansport Memorial Hospital, 1101 Michigan Ave., Logansport IN 46947.

Kroeger Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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