



## Ernst "Ernie" Kiehl

March 7, 1947 - October 23, 2019

Ernst "Ernie" Kiehl, 72, of Goshen, IN passed away on October 23, 2019. Ernie was born March 17, 1947 to Otis Ernst Kiehl and Cornelia Vandewege. Ernie married Roxanne Dunn on September 5, 2014 in Goshen, IN.

Ernie enjoyed working on cars throughout his entire life. He will be greatly missed by his faithful companion Minnie Moo, his dog. Ernie was affectionately called the cookie monster for his strong love of chocolate chip cookies. Ernie also was a veteran of the United States Army which he served from 1968 to 1972. He lived through an explosion at war which left him in great pain, but he continued to live life to the fullest and was honored to be a military veteran. He will be dearly missed by all his friends and family.

Ernie is survived by his wife Roxanne of Goshen, IN, two brothers; Otis (Katie) Kiehl of Sheboygan, WI and Charles (Sandy) Kiehl of Sheboygan, WI. Two sisters; Sheryl (Wes) Brachmann of Sheboygan, WI and Sheila Niemann of Sheboygan, WI. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews and cousins; Gary and Pat Hauck.

Ernie is preceded in death by his parents, his nephew Danny Kiehl, a brother in law, Gary Niemann and his sister and brother in law Muriel and Fritz Klafft.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Burial will take place at a later date.

Memorials can be made to American Heart Association. Please sign his guestbook at [coxknapp.com](http://coxknapp.com).

# Comments

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“ Met Ernie while I was stationed in Ft Hood. I had a small mg convertible and he had a yard full of British cars. I spent many afternoons there tinkering with cars. Was a pleasure to know him.

**dwane hogston** - July 27, 2021 at 09:36 PM

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“ I didn't know he passed away

I met Ernie at an auction on Fort Hood we were both bidding against each other for an old screen printing machine of course he won but I made a good friend after that I will always remember his kind heart.

**Jake Martinez** - March 22, 2020 at 10:23 PM

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**David Heminger** - November 13, 2019 at 08:27 AM

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“ Ernie and I were in the same platoon in Infantry Officer Candidate School where we graduated as 2LT's on 5 Feb 68. After OCS we went our separate ways until we began holding OCS class reunions every 2 years back in 2004. Ernie was always present for our reunions and, of course, he was the life of the party. I remember back in OCS his nickname was "Bootblack." While the rest of the platoon accomplished many evening tasks, Ernie showed his expertise by shining the entire platoon's boots ... quite an undertaking! We will all miss Ernie greatly. He will always be remembered as a patriot who served his country with bravery and honor.

**David Heminger** - November 13, 2019 at 08:23 AM

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“ My name is Lisa from Copperas Cove where Ernie lived. I have to say he was one of a kind. I don't think he ever met a stranger. He was a great friend and gave great advice. He was always there for me when I was in need of a meal or a little work. I will miss him so much. Prayers and love for his family.

**Lisa Morgan** - November 05, 2019 at 11:22 PM

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“ So sorry to all of the Kiehl family on their loss. Sending our prayers and sympathies from the Jim Rusch family.

**Jim Rusch** - October 30, 2019 at 09:38 PM

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“ Lovin sweet husband - we miss you to unbearable, Wife and Minnie

**Roxanne Kiehl** - October 30, 2019 at 04:54 PM

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“ Ernie was one of those men that made a friend EVERYWHERE he went!! he was an absolute Joy and Free Spirit...He made all of his Veteran friends feel special...He was an automotive genius and an expert in just about anything mechanical...and then some... He was an exceptional collector of everything!!! You need it, chances are...Ernie has one!! He was unique in every way!!! I am a better person and feel Blessed to have known Ernie...I will sorely miss our conversations and seeing his bright cheery outfits, which was part of the complete and flawless character that we all loved!!! Ernie you are Loved and will never be forgotten, rest in peace my friend....In your own words "You certainly tried hard"  
Toby Johnson

**Toby Johnson** - October 29, 2019 at 10:32 AM

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“ Ernie was a good friend who was always there to lend an ear or a helping hand when I needed it. I will miss spending time with him. He was there for us when we lost our Daughter Sandra to cancer in 2014 and our Daughter Elizabeth in a car accident in 2015 a real friend. Rest In Peace My Friend.

**Thomas Schlipp (Tom)** - October 28, 2019 at 01:06 PM