



Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles

July 1, 1944 - October 4, 2025

Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles, born July 1, 1944 at Camp Stoneman Army Base in California to Ernest and Emily Miles. Passed away on Saturday, October 4, 2025.

Ernest married Janice Sue Shoemaker from Vienna in 1967. They were married for almost 58 wonderful years. They had two sons; Chad (Libbie) Miles and Chance (Krista) Miles, all of Goreville. Four grandchildren; Andrew Miles of Marion, Austin Knoob of Carbondale, Caleb (Leslie) Miles of Knoxville, Tennessee and Emily Miles of Paducah, Kentucky. He is also survived by five siblings; Sandra Miles, Karin (Bill) Reynolds, Jackie Miles, Patricia (Donald) Martin, Joey Miles.

Preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Emily Miles, sister Linda Miles, brother Kendall Miles and nephew Miles Brown.

He graduated Vienna High School in 1962. He was in the Army Reserves for 6 years. Some of his hobbies included hunting, fishing, gardening, he loved coaching and watching baseball, traveling to botanical gardens and zoos. But most of all he loved spending time with all of his family, especially his grandkids.

Ernest owned the Vienna Meat Locker and Miles Brothers Meat Processing in

Goreville. He worked along side his sons at Miles Brothers Foods in Vienna.

He was so loved by his family, friends and faithful feline companion Tabby.

A private graveside service will be held at Vienna Fraternal Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ *Mr And Mrs Randy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Mr and Mrs Randy Jackson - October 15, 2025 at 11:22 PM

JA

“ *So sorry for your loss! I just saw this on my tablet. Condolences!*



Jeff Aly - October 13, 2025 at 08:28 AM

JT

“ *Janis Tapley lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Janis Tapley - October 12, 2025 at 01:40 AM

SG

“ *Ernie was always fun to be around. I'm sorry for your loss.*



Sondra Goins - October 11, 2025 at 05:30 PM

LM

“ *My condolences Janice and family. Ernie was a hard working man that always seemed to have a smile on his face. The Miles family bring back special memories. I very sorry for your loss.*

Larry W. Mizell - October 11, 2025 at 03:41 PM

LM

“ *Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Linda and Jeff Mathis - October 09, 2025 at 04:06 PM

JM

“Ernie Miles.....I have known him all my life and he has been a friend of the Meyer Family ever since they moved to Vienna in 1958. What a guy, a true legend of Johnson County. I have such fond memories of Ernie throughout my childhood and adult life. I loved to hear him tell of days gone by. One of my favorite stories he told me was back in the 70's he farmed and also ran the Vienna Meat Locker. He said his tractor was in the shop and it was time to start working ground and Green's didn't know when they'd have his tractor ready (best I remember he had a 4020) so he decided to hook his disk to his brand new pickup truck and disk his field (I would guess that was a new GMC from Joe Farris dealership) he said Donnie Sanders came out and took pictures of him disking with this new truck.

Ernie would get so tickled telling his stories and would have me in tears laughing.

One year during deer season back in probably 1990 or so, I dropped off a deer to have Ernie and the crew process it and he said to me, you got your deer are you done hunting, I said yes. He said go in and grab an apron and get to work, I need some help!! For several years and even after I moved to Newton, I tried to get my deer first morning so I could work for Ernie and Miley Family. Most time, I was put on washing and placing the deer in the freezer. My cousin Kent Meyer worked for Ernie for many years as well during deer season. Ernie and his family always made us feel like one of them.

thanks for the memories Ernie

Thinking of you

Jason, Lisa and Electa Meyer

Meyer Funeral Homes

Newton, IL

Jason Meyer - October 09, 2025 at 12:26 PM

JS

“ John Slack lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



John Slack - October 08, 2025 at 11:53 AM

JS

Ernie was a fine man, one of the best. Sending love and prayers for his family and loved ones. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

John Slack - October 08, 2025 at 11:55 AM

TC

“ Ernie Miles Family , Praying for Comfort and Strength may your Cherish Memories give you peace God Bless

Tim & Elaine Coonce - October 07, 2025 at 11:48 PM

D(

“ My family Mescher Brothers farms did business for years with his Dad. I was a little girl and remember picking up some meat to take home. My mother loved you Ernie. PRAYERS to the family. Donna Mescher (Austin.)

Donna Mescher (Austin.) - October 07, 2025 at 09:13 PM

RT

“ Ron Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Ron thomas - October 07, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles.



October 07, 2025 at 05:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles.

October 07, 2025 at 05:23 PM



“ Janice I am so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Sincerely , Joy (Necie) Morris Trammell

Joy (Necie) Trammell - October 07, 2025 at 04:44 PM



“ Elizabeth Kerley lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Elizabeth Kerley - October 07, 2025 at 04:04 PM

DF

“ *Debbie Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Debbie Faulkner - October 07, 2025 at 02:24 PM

DH

“ *David And Ellen Hill lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



David and Ellen Hill - October 07, 2025 at 12:35 PM

GT

“ *Greg Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Greg Taylor - October 07, 2025 at 11:49 AM

SJ

“ *Steve & Darla Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Steve & Darla Jones - October 07, 2025 at 11:43 AM

LB

“ *Linda Simmons Biethman lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Linda Simmons Biethman - October 07, 2025 at 10:49 AM

JE

“ *I met Erine when I helped Eulas Koerner (HVAC) work on Erine's HVAC equipment. He was a very nice guy. My condolences to his family.*

James Estes - October 07, 2025 at 10:48 AM

TR

“ *Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Teresa Richerson - October 07, 2025 at 08:47 AM

BG

“ *Sorry to hear about the passing of Ernie. He was a very special guy. We got to know Ernie back when he ran the meat locker here in Vienna, Loved him and his Mom and Dad to pieces. He will be dearly missed. We enjoyed a lot of laughs with Ernie. Prayers go out to his family especially at this time. Love you Ernie*



Brenda Kay Goines - October 07, 2025 at 08:30 AM

KM

“ *Janice and the boys, I sorry to hear about the passing of Ernie when I heard the news it brought back a lot of good memories from L.L.Baseball to all those times working a lot of deer seasons. And u know what, I'd do it all again cause Ernie was a good man and he'll be missed. k. meyer*

Kent Meyer - October 07, 2025 at 08:12 AM

EH

“ *Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Ernie Henshaw - October 07, 2025 at 07:41 AM

CH

“ *Curtis Huckelberry lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Curtis Huckelberry - October 07, 2025 at 07:23 AM

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Bobby Rentfro - October 07, 2025 at 04:16 AM

LH

“ Linda Holt purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles.



Linda Holt - October 07, 2025 at 01:09 AM

PM

“ Patty Morse sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Patty Morse - October 07, 2025 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Patty Morse lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Patty Morse - October 06, 2025 at 11:59 PM

CW

“ Clearon & Jane Ross Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Clearon & Jane Ross Wright - October 06, 2025 at 11:23 PM

CW

*Sending our sympathy and prayers to all the family. May God comfort you all during this time of Ernie's passing.
Clearon and Jane Ross Wright*

Clearon & Jane Ross Wright - October 06, 2025 at 11:27 PM

BK

“ All of my life I have known the entire Miles family as we grew up together on 11th Street. I'll always remember them to be a very loving, close family as they were raised by their parents to work hard. Later, Ernie instilled this value in his younger siblings and his own sons. My sincere condolences and sympathy to Janice and his surviving sisters and brother. Brenda Burris Kreuter

Brenda Kreuter - October 06, 2025 at 11:13 PM

LM

My condolences to Janice and the Miles family. I never saw Ernie without a smile on his face and a willingness to help someone. He was an inspiration to anyone who knew him. Thinking of all of you during this time.

Larry W. Mizell - October 09, 2025 at 12:18 AM

LM

“ Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Larry and Carolyn McGill - October 06, 2025 at 10:45 PM

JH

“ Justin & Tricia Hartline lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Justin & Tricia Hartline - October 06, 2025 at 09:38 PM

DS

“ Dillon And Hannah Street lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Dillon and Hannah Street - October 06, 2025 at 08:52 PM

BI

“ Bill&NancyBelford lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Bill&NancyBelford - October 06, 2025 at 08:46 PM

LT

“ Lowell And Susie Trovillion lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Lowell and Susie Trovillion - October 06, 2025 at 08:41 PM

DH

“ Dallas And Charlene Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Dallas and Charlene Harner - October 06, 2025 at 08:27 PM

LH

“ I absolutely adored this red neck, rough exterior man that was a marshmallow on the inside with a heart of gold. Not enough men like him left. A true loss for his family. Rest dear man.

Linda Holt - October 06, 2025 at 08:09 PM

SR

Classmate and friend prayers for the ones left behind

Sandy Richardson - October 06, 2025 at 10:25 PM

AT

“ Arlene Miles, Tony And Tim lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Arlene Miles, Tony and Tim - October 06, 2025 at 08:08 PM

AM

Ernie and I graduated from High School together and or boys played baseball together. Sorry for your loss. Arlene Miles, Tony and Tim

Arlene, Tony and Tim Miles - October 06, 2025 at 08:14 PM

DG

“ Donna Greenwell lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Donna Greenwell - October 06, 2025 at 07:33 PM

JB

“ Jody Boner lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Jody Boner - October 06, 2025 at 07:20 PM

TA

“ Teresa Anderson lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Teresa Anderson - October 06, 2025 at 07:19 PM

BJ

“ Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Barbara Jeffress - October 06, 2025 at 06:56 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Linda Koehler - October 06, 2025 at 06:37 PM

HB

“ *Henry Snd Frances Bullock lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Henry snd Frances Bullock - October 06, 2025 at 06:32 PM

SL

“ *Steve&Katjy(Whiteside) Lay lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Steve&Katjy(Whiteside) Lay - October 06, 2025 at 06:32 PM

NW

“ *Neal & Carol Watkins lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles*



Neal & Carol Watkins - October 06, 2025 at 06:28 PM

PW

“ prayers for his family:



pat womack - October 06, 2025 at 06:27 PM

KC

“ I can remember him coming to our place in Belknap and getting the pig we were have processed.I also remember him coming to the Heal farm. He was always gracious and kind. RIP,prayers for his family 🙏🙏🙏

Kim Carrel - October 06, 2025 at 06:21 PM

BW

“ Bill Anc Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Ernest Edward "Ernie" Miles



Bill anc Barb Warmack - October 06, 2025 at 06:04 PM