



Edward Charles Vickers

July 25, 1958 - October 10, 2022

Edward Charles Vickers, dedicated husband and father of four, passed away, surrounded by family on Monday, October 10th, 2022 at age 64, in Vancouver, WA after succumbing to cancer. Ed was born on July 25th, 1958 to the late Frank and B. Essie Vickers in Henry County, Alabama.

An avid fisherman, and business owner Ed earned a bachelor's degree in education from Liberty University and spent over twenty-four years as a highly respected business owner and operator of the tax firm A-Taxes, LLC. In 2016, Ed was inducted into the Liberty University Basketball Hall of Fame. Ed was a key component in Liberty's 1980 NCCAA National Championship team, earning NCCAA All-American honorable mention, all-tournament and all-district honors during Liberty's run to the national title. In high school Ed was an All-American basketball player, and his hometown of Headland, Alabama still celebrates April 24th as Ed Vickers day.

Ed was known for his charismatic storytelling, diligent faith, generous spirit and ever-present smile, especially while meeting someone who would inevitably become a new friend and while serving as a beloved greeter at Heritage Church alongside his wife Karen.

The Heritage Church Fish Fry became not only a family tradition but a highly anticipated community celebration, where Ed had a goal of eventually feeding 5,000 people. The attendees grew into the thousands and it served as the reason Ed would go on his famous month-long Westport fishing trip to catch all the fish for the annual event. Ed became known as a fisher of men and

welcomed the opportunity to connect with community to witness about God's blessings.

Ed cherished the wisdom his parents taught him regarding giving back and sharing what you have, because God has blessed us mightily, so you can always give from what you have received. Ed would often share "when you put God first in your life plans you will be successful."

Ed is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Karen L. Vickers, and children Derrick (Carol) Smith, Chabre Vickers, Eddie (Amanda) Vickers, Andrew Vickers, and granddaughter Laila Vickers, and his brothers Frank (Faye) Vickers, Nathaniel (Ann) Vickers, Daniel Vickers, and sisters Mary Frances Reeves, Mary (Rev. JN) Flowers, Barbara (Samuel) Hollis, and several nieces, nephews, and aunts. Ed was preceded in death by his parents Frank & B. Essie Vickers, brother Roy Jr Vickers, sister Annie Jewel Baxter, and brother in law Travis Reeves Sr.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at 1 p.m. at Heritage Church (8803 NE 76th Street, Vancouver, WA 98662), All are welcome.

Tribute Wall

YW

“ At first, Ed was my Tax man. Then, each year I would be greeted by Karen with a warm smile. Ed would always smile and ask how I am doing. Later, Karen and Ed shared their children's pictures and allowed me to watch his son play Basketball on Tv as he completed my Taxes. Ed was always open to sharing God's blessings and the love for this family. I realized that he was NOT just doing my taxes; he was drawing me toward the Lord as he and Karen welcomed me into their home and lives. I think of Ed often and try to pass on the kindness he showed me to others as he did to me. I am not a close friend of the family, but their open arms and steadfastness in God made a lasting impression on my life. In honor of Ed and respect for his family, I resolve to pass on love, kindness and faith to those I meet as I move forward toward Our Father's House. Ed, I hope to see you playing basketball when we meet again... In heaven! - Yvonne Wilson

Yvonne Wilson-Nicolay - December 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Rev. Joseph & Mary Flowers lit a candle in memory of Edward Charles Vickers



Rev. Joseph & Mary Flowers - October 18, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Karen and Andrew, we are deeply sorry for your loss and send our condolences from miles away. Ed made a positive impact on the lives of many- for me it's his smile that lit up any room he walked into and the laugh that grabbed the attention of others. His positive outlook on life is hard matched.

I can only imagine that he is carrying out his passion for fishing and telling stories in these pain free days :) He will be missed by all.

*Thoughts and prayers are with you both-
DeEll, Russ, Kasen and Cooper Jordre*

DeEll Jordre - October 17, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

A Memorial Tree was planted for Edward Charles Vickers - October 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM