



## John M. Eckert

July 5, 1957 - June 15, 2026

John M. Eckert, 68, of Huntington, passed away at 6:15 am Monday, June 15, 2026, at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, IN.

John was born on July 5, 1957, in Huntington, IN, the son of John Eckert and Shirley (Reeves) Eckert. He graduated from Huntington North High School with the class of 1975 and earned an associate's degree from I.U. Purdue of Fort Wayne in 1978.

After college, John headed out west to Oklahoma, where he spent most of his adult life. Drawn to the state's beauty and history, he worked in management for several corporations before finding his calling at Uptown Grocery, where he dedicated 15 years of service. Later in life, John returned home to Huntington to be closer to his family. Shortly after his return, he suffered a life-changing stroke that greatly affected his eyesight. A devoted worker, John spent much of his time focused on his career, yet he always made time to find new art pieces to add to his collection.

Survivors include his; Siblings, Jacqueline (Randy) Geiger of Markle, IN, Lawrence (Dawn) Eckert of Wabash, IN, Michelle Graft of Huntington, IN, Jolene (Roger) Kilty of Leesburg, IN, Peter (Anne) Eckert of Roanoke, IN, David Eckert of Ft. Wayne, IN, Philip (Alexandria) Eckert of Huntington, IN; several Nieces & Nephews; and a Lifelong Friend, Steve Hartly of Oklahoma.

He is preceded in death by his Father, John Eckert, Mother, Shirley Eckert, Sister, Roxanna Darnell.

In accordance with John's wishes, he will return to Oklahoma for his final resting place.

Preferred memorials to the American Heart Association, in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at [www.baileylove.com](http://www.baileylove.com).

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of John M Eckert.