



## Dieter Eckstein

October 19, 1940 - August 23, 2022

Dieter Eckstein, 81, passed away on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 in Libertyville, IL. He was born October 19, 1940 in Germany and came to live in the United States in 1963. He was a longtime resident of Libertyville and a former chef at many country clubs in Lake County, IL.

Surviving is his wife of 61 years, Margrit Eckstein; 2 sons, Hans-Juergen Eckstein and Frank Eckstein; 2 granddaughters, Jennifer (Deron) Janicke and Elizabeth (Kevin) Schlicksup and by 2 sisters.

Services with interment will be held at a later date at Willow Lawn Memorial Park in Vernon Hills, IL. Arrangements by Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville, IL. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was just thinking of Deiter and googled to see if he was still in libertyville when I saw his Obit. I am truly sorry for your families loss especially Margret I know how much he loved you. I worked for Deiter for several years and he first was a boss then became a friend. He shared many stories of his early life and his adventure to becoming an American. It was inspiring and had to be difficult. Coming to a country where you cant even speak the language. He was self motivated and became very successful! I know he was proud of his German heritage but was equally proud to have become an American. He had a strong love for his country and stronger for his family. He lived with a broken/heavy heart after losing his precious daughter but his faith in God and his strength carried him through. He gave everything for his family and gave me a chance when I needed it most. He made me laugh daily and showed me the value of hard work. He came here with nothing and made a wonderfu life for him and his family. He is the perfect example of how the American dream is supposed to work! I only wish I could have got to say good bye to him one more time but time slips away. I pray he is with his daughter Patricia Margret now and maybe someday we can have a shot of brandy and a bottle of Becks together in heaven. God Bless you and your family my friend intill we meet again. 🙏💔

Ron Wheeler

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