



## Ernest "Ernie" Mathew Doyel

September 15, 1934 - March 29, 2023

ADRIAN- Ernest "Ernie" Mathew Doyel, 88, of Brooklyn, Michigan died early Wednesday morning, March 29, 2023 at Henry Ford Allegiance Health Hospital in Jackson, Michigan.

Born on September 15, 1934 in Bernie, Missouri, Ernie was the oldest son of Alvin and Louise (Tucker) Doyel. The family moved to Michigan while Ernie was in school and he graduated from Byron High School in 1952.

At only 17 years of age, Ernie went to work as a millwright at AC Spark Plugs, a division of General Motors; retiring after more than 40 years on the job.

Ernie wasn't ready to slow down and went into the firewood business in St. Helen, MI. Ernie always enjoyed driving and during his life time he had many opportunities to use his chauffeur license. When his sons were young, he drove the school bus to various school activities and sporting events. Later on in life, he drove the school bus again in Flint, and for various car dealerships delivering new vehicles to the surrounding states.

Ernie was proud of his sons and always made time to be involved in their activities. He was an assistant Scout Master and Explorers Commander when his sons were growing up. Any time he was able to go camping and fishing was a good day out in the woods.

Ernie's faith was an important part of his life, and he lived it daily. He was previously a deacon at Church of Christ in Swartz Creek, he also attended Mt. Morris Church of Christ and most recently was part of Adrian Church of Christ. He is survived by his sons, Ernest "Steve" (Janet) Doyel and Jon (Jeanne)

Doyel; numerous grandchildren including Jessica, Jennie, James and Matthew; one great-granddaughter, Ava; and siblings, Rosie and Paul. Ernie was preceded in death by his sisters, Margaret and Evie.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at Adrian First Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Larry Betz officiating. Visitation will take place from 12 p.m. until the start of the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian, where online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

APR 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Adrian First Church of the Nazarene  
50 Industrial Drive  
Adrian, MI

## Memorial Service

APR 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MG

“ Ernie always came to Thursday morning class early, and we would sit and talk about Christianity and life and any other thing that came up. He will be missed. Prayers for the family. Mike Guest

Mike Guest - March 31, 2023 at 05:15 PM

SC

“ Ernie was a very kind man, always greeted you with a smile and a “hello”. He always made sure he was early for Church, didn’t want to be late. He was a good person.

Shirley Flowers Mt.Morris COC. - March 31, 2023 at 11:37 AM

DC

“ Don and Niki Cushing purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Mathew Doyel.



Don and Niki Cushing - March 31, 2023 at 08:33 AM

JW

“ Jim and Zaidee Williams purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Mathew Doyel.



Jim and Zaidee Williams - March 30, 2023 at 11:39 PM

LR

“ *Jon and family, so sorry to hear of your Father's passing. You and your family are in Our Thoughts and Prayers, Lee and Sheila Reichenberger*

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**Lee and Sheila Reichenberger** - March 30, 2023 at 08:36 PM

SP

*Ernie will be missed at the Brooklyn Living Center. He lived to play "Pennies" every Saturday night as d Bingo on Wednesday with his friends here. He lived my Banana Nut Bread too. RIP Ernie— Sally Pletzer*

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**Sally Pletzer** - April 01, 2023 at 08:51 AM