



## Kermit A. Eckel

October 5, 1946 - July 8, 2022

Kermit A. Eckel, 75, of Myerstown passed away Friday, July 8, 2022 at Wyomissing Health & Rehabilitation Center in Reading. He was the loving husband of Margaret “Peggy” (Donley) Eckel to whom he was married 48 years.

Born in Chambersburg, he was a son of the late Guy A. and Viola (Henry) Eckel. Kermit worked as an electrician in the U.S. Navy on the USS Hornet that recovered the space capsule from Apollo 11 when it landed in the ocean following its space exploration. He was an avid fisherman, enjoyed reading and learning about WWII history, and camping with his family at Knoebel’s. In addition to his wife, he is survived by five children Ronald C. Eckel and his wife Pamela, Gregory E. Eckel and his wife Vicki, Shelley A. wife of Bruce James, Amy E. wife of Patrick Schott and Jason W. Eckel; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren; and brother Kenneth G. Eckel and his wife Linda.

Private graveside services will be held at the convenience of his family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Rd., Suite 300, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

# Cemetery Details

## **Indiantown Gap National Cemetery**

Indiantown Gap Road  
Anville, PA 17003

# Tribute Wall

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“ One of my best memories of my dad when I was little - is how he always left us stay up on New year's Eve and one yr. he got us all really loud horns that you blew in and he left us blow them out our living room window as long as we wanted. I'm sure it was nerve racking, but he left us do it anyway. This memory always makes me smile. I love you dad and you will be missed.

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**Shelley James** - July 13, 2022 at 12:10 PM