



## Ernest Thomas Oskin

December 29, 1927 - January 27, 2024

Ernest Thomas Oskin passed away peacefully on January 27, 2024, he was 96 years old.

Ernest Oskin was born in Chicago, Illinois, but as a teenager, the family moved to St. Petersburg, Florida. He was drafted in October 1944 for WWII, but they dropped the bomb in August, ending the war. Ernie graduated from the University of Florida in 1949, an all-male college at that time. As a chemical engineer, he worked for Olin Mathieson Corporation in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

For the Korean War, Ernie was status 1A, so he spent two years as a chemical engineer at the Edgewood Chemical Center outside of Baltimore. After the war, he worked for B. F. Goodrich in Marietta, Ohio.

Along with many others, he used the G. I. Bill and gained a fellowship to go for a master's degree in Plastics Engineering at Princeton University. He loved the area and afterwards took a job at DuPont in the Plastics Center in Wilmington, DE. There he met and married his wife, Barbara.

Later, he was transferred to the Detroit area, where many molders were working for the automotive companies. He worked in technical sales and got to know many molders and their problems in the Midwest. During this time, Ernie and Barb had their two children.

After seven years with DuPont, Ernie was able to start a small molding company in St. Clair, Michigan, a small town across from Canada near Lake Huron. They became part of the community, as did the business, and they

raised their family there. During this time, they traveled with the children on vacations or to see Barbara's mother in Maryland.

When Barb's mother passed away in 1981, they decided to keep the family farm on the Miles River across from St. Michaels. After 35 years, Ernie sold the business and their home in St. Clair and retired to Maryland. They lived on the farm most of the year but bought an apartment in Washington, DC, for the three winter months.

They enjoyed the advantages the city had to offer, the farm and the water and were able to travel often; but after being married 65 years, they realized it was time to come to Londonderry, where they moved in 2022.

Ernie is survived by his wife, Barbara, his daughter Mary Catherine Mueller of Easton, MD; a son John Bennett Oskin of Colorado Springs, CO; and 2 grandchildren.

Services will be held on Friday February 2, 2024, at 10 Am at All Faith's Chapel in Tunis Mills, MD. A burial will follow at Oxford Cemetery, Oxford MD. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Talbot Hospice.

# Previous Events

## Chapel Service

FEB 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

All Faith Chapel  
26281 Tunis Mills Rd  
Easton, MD 21601-5523  
(410) 822-1464

## Burial

FEB 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

Oxford Cemetery  
Oxford Cemetery Rd  
Oxford, MD 21654

# Tribute Wall

MD

“ For me, if there was one word, I could use to describe Uncle Ernie’s impact on me, it would be inspirational. And I mean this in the largest sense of the word. At several major stages in my life, stages that resulted in who and where I am today, the inspiration of what you can do and achieve in life came directly from Ernie. I’m just going to highlight two.

*The first was when I was in high school considering what path I wanted to take from a career perspective. I have vivid memories of touring Ernie’s plastics molding company. The multiple activities of plastic particles evolving into a physical part that would end up on someone’s car was the embodiment of cool .... at least it was to me. When I found I had a strong interest in chemistry in high school, I thought about Ernie and what he had created. It was a major reason for pursuing a degree in Chemical Engineering. Though that didn’t ultimately pan out, the rigor of the program set me up for my ultimate career trajectory.*

*The second inspiration was courage to be entrepreneurial and take the risks associated with it. Starting my own company was incredibly scary, and it was the second toughest “big “decisions I have ever made. Without Ernie, I’m not sure I would have been able to take the leap.*

*Rest in peace!*

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**Matt Dusanic** - February 02, 2024 at 03:58 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Thomas Oskin.*



February 01, 2024 at 08:12 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Thomas Oskin.*



January 31, 2024 at 11:10 AM



“ *Many wonderful memories of the Shearer family traveling to the farm in Maryland for Thanksgiving. There were great meals and great hospitality. Glad I was able to visit a few times.*

*With Sympathy,  
David W. Shearer*

**David W. Shearer** - January 31, 2024 at 09:37 AM



“ *Skip Hines purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ernest Thomas Oskin.*



**Skip Hines** - January 31, 2024 at 07:24 AM

SH

“ Ernie was such a genuinely kind gentleman and a wonderful owner. It didn't matter if you were and executive or production worker, Ernie and Barb treated you with so much Love and Respect. It was my privilege to work with Ernie and HPG for 20 tears. He made a big impact on me.

Skip Hines - January 31, 2024 at 07:19 AM

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“ The Wolf Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ernest Thomas Oskin.



The Wolf Family - January 30, 2024 at 06:45 PM

NB

“ Cathy, sympathy on the passing of your Dad.

Cathy, we went to school together in St. Clair.  
I remember you and your brother John.  
Nancy Beaudua



Nancy Beaudua - January 30, 2024 at 03:15 PM

JR

“ Joan Gannon, RN lit a candle in memory of Ernest Thomas Oskin



Joan Gannon, RN - January 29, 2024 at 03:52 PM