



Edward Martin Espenshade

April 14, 1963 - May 7, 2018

Edward Martin Espenshade, "SHADE" of Mount Holly, NJ went to be with the Lord on May 7, after a courageous 15 year battle with brain tumors. Ed was born on Easter Morning, April 14, 1963 in Abington, PA. Except for the first 5 months of his life, Ed was a lifelong NJ resident.

Ed graduated from RVRHS in 1981 where he was a distance runner on the track team & ran cross country. Ed ran cross country at BCC & after his college freshman year had a wonderful work/play summer at Yellowstone National Park. Ed graduated from Glassboro State in 1986 majoring in finance and again running cross country. The majority of his professional life was as a senior auditor for the Commerce Bank, but Ed also held other financial positions.

Ed's love of running continued into his adult life and was the source of many lifelong friendships. Ed completed marathons in Philadelphia, Rhode Island, Atlantic City, and San Diego along with running and sometimes winning 100's of other shorter races. He was heavily involved with area track clubs and is a past president of the South Jersey Athletic Club.

Ed's courage and will to make the best of each day was phenomenal. Ed was diagnosed with diabetes at age 12 & had his first tumor related seizure at age 40. When he was no longer able to run distances he stayed involved with organizing track events & coaching in youth track programs.

Ed is survived by his parents Lynn & Sue Espenshade of Westampton, brother Tom (wife Julie & step son Brandon) of Queens, NY, brother Jeff (wife

Victoria, son Sebastian & daughter Saskia) of Delran and many aunts, uncles, & cousins.

There will be no viewing. A Memorial Service will be held at 5 PM on Friday, May 11th at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 121 High St., Mount Holly, NJ. A light dinner and a chance to honor Ed will follow in St. Andrew's Parish Hall about 5:45 PM.

In lieu of flowers contributions in his memory may be made to the St. Andrew's Church Memorial Fund at the address above.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 11. 5:00 PM (ET)

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
121 High St.
Mount Holly, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Martin Espenshade*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Edward Martin Espenshade*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Lynn, Sue, Tommy and Jeff and family,
Sincere thoughts of sympathy are sent to you today. Fond memories of times spent with Eddie participating in youth activities at St. Andrew's under the direction of Mr. Hough come to mind. I know he will be missed by many and I was blessed to have known him. May God grant you comfort in the time ahead as you grieve.
Terri Linton Sackett*

Terri Sackett - May 14, 2018 at 07:54 PM



“ *Lyn and Sue. So sorry to hear of your loss. Blessings to you and your family.*

The McManus Family

Jim & Diane McManus - May 09, 2018 at 12:12 PM



“ *Ed's final race has been won, being with God is his prize. May peace now be with you, Lynn, Sue and family. The Mehl Family*

Janet Mehl - May 09, 2018 at 09:19 AM

JB

“ Janet Beideman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edward Martin Espenshade.



Janet Beideman - May 09, 2018 at 08:43 AM



“ Always a "gentle-man" with a kind soul. Keep running you've got this.



Joy Foster - May 09, 2018 at 07:42 AM

EW

“ *The Shade*
Never the one for resting, I'm thinking he has some friends together and running.

Eddie Weir - May 09, 2018 at 07:40 AM

VS

“ Vicki Stubblefield lit a candle in memory of Edward Martin Espenshade



Vicki Stubblefield - May 09, 2018 at 06:34 AM

Pat
Conover

“ *Rest in peace my dear friend. i can see him with his arms up saying i am the winner. I have been his friend since grade school. Proud to call him my friend.*

Pat Conover

Pat Conover - May 09, 2018 at 05:24 AM

Pat
Conover

“ *Pat Conover lit a candle in memory of Edward Martin Espenshade*



Pat Conover - May 09, 2018 at 05:19 AM

RO

“ *We are so sad for you Lynn and Sue. There are no words. Just know you and your family are in our hearts. Roberta and Cliff Lilley*

roberta - May 08, 2018 at 08:00 PM

GU

“ Our dear friend Ed Espenshade was quite a remarkable gentleman.

I will always have fond memories of Ed and his billion dollar smile.

I can see Ed now going to the starting line in Heaven.

He is poised and ready to start the race.

Looking over at Jane, John, Bill, Browning, Maucie, and Jerry wishing them good luck.

Rest in Peace.

GU

Granville A Ungerleider - May 08, 2018 at 07:40 PM

PM

“ Rest In Peace, my friend. You will be missed. Light and love to your family during this time.

Penny McDaniel - May 08, 2018 at 07:02 PM

TC

“ I have fond memories of Ed and his family. My thoughts and prayers are with his family at this very difficult time. REST IN PARADISE Rd. You will be missed by all whom you have touched in life.



Trudy Atkinson cotton - May 08, 2018 at 05:54 PM

TC

ED!

Trudy Atkinson cotton - May 08, 2018 at 05:56 PM

FE

Ed won the marathon. Praise God!

Fred and Nora Espenshade - May 09, 2018 at 01:03 PM

JL

“ To the family,
Sorry to hear of the loss of your son, brother, and uncle. His memory will live forever in your hearts. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely, Jill Rockhill Lucas (a former student and Co-worker at Holbein)

Jill Rockhill Lucas - May 08, 2018 at 04:14 PM

CM

“ You lived your life with dignity and grace -and kept the pace , your entire “human “race ... hey glory and honor be yours - and with anticipation you seek the Lord’s face Much love to you my friend until we meet again

carie lynne mccay - May 08, 2018 at 04:07 PM

CD

“ Chuck Downs lit a candle in memory of Edward Martin Espenshade



chuck downs - May 08, 2018 at 03:39 PM

RM

“ *Regina McCay lit a candle in memory of
Edward Martin Espenshade*



Regina McCay - May 08, 2018 at 03:04 PM