



Edmund C. Schilling

July 18, 1944 - April 29, 2020

Edmund C. Schilling passed away peacefully on April 29 at 10 pm after fighting a series of physical challenges including Covid-19. “Big Ed” spent 27 years as a professor at IUPUI where he sponsored Phi Epsilon Kappa Educational Honorary and served as the interim head men’s basketball coach. He was a passionate classroom teacher and mentor to countless students. He was presented the Distinguished Hoosier Honor by Governor Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr. upon retirement.

Ed Schilling, Sr. was widely recognized for his record setting basketball career at Butler University. His scoring and rebounding records were a testament to his talent and toughness under the leadership of Tony Hinkle. Ed’s induction into the Butler Athletics Hall of Fame is an honor reflecting his playing skills. He also excelled academically and was selected to the Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Honorary. He was also a Life Loyal Sigma Chi.

After Butler, Big E played professional basketball and was the runner-up for the MVP award twice in the NABL. He also toured South America, Europe and Australia representing the United States and Lithuania.

Schilling began his basketball career as a starter on the University of Cincinnati’s undefeated and #1 ranked freshmen team (before freshmen eligibility). In high school at Cleveland East High (Ohio), he not only starred in

basketball, but won the Ohio State track championship in the high jump.

After graduating from Butler University, Ed Schilling coached and taught at Thorntown and was the Director of Guidance and Assistant Principal at Sheridan High School and was an administrator at Carmel High School. Additionally, he served as the corporation athletic director for Fayette County Schools (Connersville, IN).

At 25 years old, Ed Schilling was the head men's basketball coach at Marian University, where we led the Knights to four record breaking seasons. Among the many achievements there, the Knights led the nation in scoring, averaging nearly 100 points per game.

Other highlights enjoyed by Ed Schilling, Sr. was working as an assistant basketball coach for his son, Ed Schilling, Jr., in the McDonald's All-American Capitol Classic Game in Washington D.C. where they won the nationally televised game by 20 points. Additionally, the "Big Chill" as he was affectionately known, and his son worked many weeks together at the famed Five-Star Basketball Camp. He coached the Indiana All-Stars against the Russians.

Ed Schilling was a pillar in the Lebanon community. He was 40-year member, past president, and a Dr. William Perry Woods Fellowship Award recipient for the Lebanon Lion's Club. Ed was a member of the Witham Hospital Foundation Board.

Edmund C. Schilling has left a rich legacy to his wife, Ina, son Ed, Jr. and his wife April and five grandchildren.

Private Family Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at Myers Mortuary, 1502 N. Lebanon St., Lebanon, Indiana. Interment will follow

services at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Thorntown, Indiana. There will be a Celebration of Ed's Life later in the year.

Cemetery Details

Maple Lawn Cemetery

Thorntown, IN 46071

Previous Events

PRIVATE SERVICE

MAY 6 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edmund C. Schilling*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Ed & Ina - Please know that the Burroughs/Ottinger/Heidelman families are so sorry for your loss. Ed, I don't know if you remember but when you were Assistant Coach at UCLA you provided tickets for Bill Heidelman, his two young sons and his brother-in-law, Ralph Burroughs (my husband) for one of your basketball games. Bill had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and passed that same year. Your dad, Big Ed, was so helpful to me in contacting you and was so happy that everything worked out. The two of you helped make a memory for two young boys that will stay with them forever. May your memories help heal your sadness during this difficult time.*

Debbie Ottinger

Debbie Ottinger - May 15, 2020 at 02:42 PM



“ *Ina, Eddie and Family, so sorry for your loss. Your wonderful support group and faith will help you in this difficult time. The memories your family created with Ed throughout his life will keep him and his memory in your hearts forever. My thoughts and prayers are for you and your family!*

Mark Masariu

Mark Masariu - May 07, 2020 at 12:03 PM

JR

“ *Ina,
Tom and I are so sorry for your loss. Love and prayers to all.
Jeanie and Tom Renie*

Jeanie and tom renie - May 07, 2020 at 10:10 AM

PM

“ *Ed was a wonderful gentleman whom we knew for a long time. His spirit will live on through all the people he interacted with over the years. We offer our sympathies to Ina, Ed Jr., April and his grandchildren. Pat and Lori McKee*

Pat McKee - May 06, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edmund C. Schilling.*



May 05, 2020 at 02:02 PM

KB

“ *Ina, Ed, and April, my prayers for comfort and strength. There are several memories I could share but the one that stands above the rest is that despite all his achievements on the hardwood, Ed was humble. I never knew him to brag about all that he had done, especially at Butler. We're taught to be that way in life and he was the epitome of such a wonderful characteristic.*

Ken Beckley - May 05, 2020 at 08:59 AM

PM

“ Coach Schilling was a great man, and I always appreciated the wisdom and advice he shared with me as a young basketball coach. It was always a pleasure to talk about the game with him. He was very generous with his time, and will be remembered as a credit to his profession, and a mentor to many. My heartfelt condolences to the entire Schilling family.

Preston Myers - May 05, 2020 at 02:33 AM

DC

“ Ed enjoyed countless successes but perhaps his greatest attribute was that treated all people with respect regardless of their stand in life. David Carney

David Carney - May 04, 2020 at 08:34 PM

JG

“ Ina,
I am so sorry for loss.
Just know you and your are in prayers.
Joan Guthridge

Joan Guthridge - May 04, 2020 at 10:11 AM