



## Eldon Clark Kocher

October 19, 1926 - December 6, 2023

Eldon Clark Kocher, age 97 of New Martinsville, WV passed away Wednesday December 6, 2023, at Cameron Healthcare Center Cameron, WV.

He was born October 19, 1926, in New Martinsville, WV, the son of the late George Thurman and Edna Clark Kocher.

Eldon was a retired electrician at the former Ormet Corp. Hannibal OH, a US Army WWII veteran and a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by 4 sisters, Wilma Lee Kocher, Norma Beryl Ballouz, Beulah Vaughn Kocher and Mary Louise Mahana; and a nephew, Chris Mahana

Survivors include his wife of 69 years, Ardith Garner Kocher; son, Greg Kocher of New Martinsville, WV; 2 daughters, Lisa (Clyde) Stillion of Proctor, WV, and Renee (Eric) Beard of Morgantown; 6 grandchildren, Jacqueline (Tyler) , Mackinsey (Ryan), Ian (Haley), Hannah, Evelyn and Elaina; 6 great grandchildren, Mikalyn, Brady, Jonathan, Olivia, Finley and Bennett; and a nephew, Shawn Mahana.

Family will receive friends on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, from 10 am until time of memorial service at 11:00 am at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 196 N. State Rt. 2, New Martinsville, with Pastor Sean Smith officiating.

Interment will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park, New Martinsville, WV.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Grandview Volunteer Fire Dept P.O. Box 641 c/o Dave Goddard New Martinsville, WV 26155 or Good Shepherd Lutheran Church P.O. Box 216 New Martinsville, WV 26155.

Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory New  
Martinsville.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Park

North State Route 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

DEC **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
196 N. State Route 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

## Memorial Service

DEC **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
196 N. State Route 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.



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December 18, 2023 at 09:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.



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December 18, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eldon Clark Kocher.

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December 16, 2023 at 09:19 PM

SM

“ We are so sorry to have learned of the passing of our dear Uncle Eldon. His was a kind and gentle soul rarely encountered. I've always admired the quiet steady faithful life of service he, with his wife (my Aunt Ardith), led together. As a member of the "Greatest Generation" he defended his nation in war, returned to his hometown to build a rewarding career, and raised a wonderful family. He was a loving brother to my mother (Mary Lou Mahana) and a good friend to my father (Jim Mahana). We live overseas and count ourselves fortunate to have seen him one last time on a rare visit back home this year. We deeply mourn the passing of our Uncle Eldon and will miss him for the rest of our lives. With our deepest love and Condolences, Shawn, Chunhwa, and Christine Mahana

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**Shawn Mahana** - December 16, 2023 at 07:10 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.



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December 15, 2023 at 11:11 AM

SP

“ Sending my condolences to friends and family. May he rest peacefully.

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**Sherry Perkey** - December 09, 2023 at 06:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.*



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December 08, 2023 at 07:04 PM



“ *I am so saddened to hear of Edon's passing. His kindness, humor, and wisdom were such a strong influence on me as a teen and young adult. I'm better for having known and loved him.*

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**ErinBeth Dower** - December 08, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Lisa,  
I am so sorry for the loss of your father.*

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**Betty Ann Mitchell-Thomas** - December 08, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of Eldon Clark Kocher, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Army Veteran, Eldon Clark Kocher, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner Tri-State Military Museum** - December 08, 2023 at 06:57 AM

LM

“ *Love, Shawn, Chunhwa, & Christine Mahana planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eldon Clark Kocher.*

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**Love, Shawn, Chunhwa, & Christine Mahana** - December 08, 2023 at 03:24 AM

LM

“ Love, Shawn, Chunhwa, & Christine Mahana purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.



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**Love, Shawn, Chunhwa, & Christine Mahana** - December 08, 2023 at 03:24 AM

MM

“ So very sorry for your loss. I know how much you loved him!



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**Mona McCarthy** - December 07, 2023 at 08:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eldon Clark Kocher.



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December 07, 2023 at 07:12 PM

RD

“ While pastoring St. Ann's New Martinsville, Eldon was an ever present good ear and an provider of sage advise. I enjoyed our hunting trip. I count him as a dear good friend. God Bless you my Brother! Rest in Peace.

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**Rev'd. Dr. Ronny W. Dower** - December 07, 2023 at 06:55 PM

MC

“ *I am keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. He was a very nice man.*

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**Martha Coffman** - December 07, 2023 at 10:57 AM

GB

“ *So sorry for your loss.*

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**Glenna Babe** - December 07, 2023 at 08:44 AM

BW

“ *Always a sweet, smiling man. Dad and Eldon are enjoying the great outdoors together again. Prayers for the family.*

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**Betsy Westfall** - December 06, 2023 at 11:35 PM