



Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss

November 21, 1934 - October 20, 2023

Walter “Walt” Lichtfuss went home to the Lord on Friday, October 20, 2023 in hospice care. Walt was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 21, 1934 to Walter & Helen (Makowski) Lichtfuss.

Walt graduated from Tuley High School in 1953. He then graduated with Honors from Devry Tech School with an emphasis on electronics. Rather than waiting for his letter notifying him he was to be drafted, he volunteered for the draft and on September 14, 1954, he reported for duty, choosing the Army. After basic training at Camp Chafee in Arkansas, he was reassigned to Fort Jackson in North Carolina where he was taught the use of heavy weapons (mortars, machine guns, and assault rifles). He then volunteered for the airborne division where he completed 13 jumps from a flying airplane. Two years to the day, Walt was discharged as a SP3 with a good conduct medal and a sharp-shooter badge.

After the service, Walt worked for a short time as a Precision Inspector at Motorola. He was invited to work in Graphic Arts as a Cameraman by the brother of his best friend and the rest as they say is history. Walt retired after 40 years in the Graphic Arts field as a Cameraman and Scanner Operator. Walt met Roberta “Robbie” Thompson when she filled in for her Aunt Tau on a bowling league she was on with Walt. They immediately hit it off and were married on June 25, 1960. They would remain happily married until Robbie passed away in 2005. Together they had four children, Karen (Dan) Guillen, James (Mary) Lichtfuss, Robert (Kris) Lichtfuss, and Michael (Rachel)

Lichtfuss. He had 7 grandkids, Lauren (Josh) Hutchens, Cori (Jeff) Cameron, Megan Guillen, David Lichtfuss, Keri Lichtfuss, Noah Lichtfuss and Lane Lichtfuss. He also had 2 great-grandkids, Grayson Hutchens and Hazel Cameron. In addition to being survived by his kids, grandkids and great-grandkids, he's survived by his sister, Lorraine (Bill) Sythes and a brother James (Judy) Lichtfuss, as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews. Walt loved working with his hands and made many beautiful furniture pieces over the years. Later in life he found a love for making wooden bowls, which he lovingly shared with family members who now have something to always remember him by. When he wasn't doing woodworking projects, he loved to fish.

Family and friends will be received on November 16th from 10-Noon at DeGusipe Funeral Home, 9001 Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida. A funeral mass will then follow at 1:30 p.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church, 1020 Montgomery Road, Altamonte Springs, Florida.

A private interment will be held at Florida National Cemetery where his ashes will be placed with those of his wife Roberta Lichtfuss.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory
9001 N. Orlando Avenue
Maitland, FL 32751
<https://www.facebook.com/DeGusipeFH/>

Funeral Mass

NOV **16**. 1:30 PM (ET)

Annunciation Catholic Church Life Center
1020 Montgomery Rd.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

Tribute Wall

BR

“ *Walt was a wonderful close friend to our mother Isabelle during their time at Royal Highlands. His kindness and companionship to Isabelle will be remembered.*

Brian, Linda, Karen, Susan, Kelly

Brian - November 16, 2023 at 06:13 AM

KA

Brian, Dad so enjoyed spending time with your family and getting to know you all. Thank you for making him feel welcome.

Karen - November 22, 2023 at 11:51 AM

MM

“ *Mary, Mike, Gina & Anthony Maisano purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*



Mary, Mike, Gina & Anthony Maisano - November 15, 2023 at 12:49 PM

TF

“ *The Gonzalez Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*



The Gonzalez Family - November 15, 2023 at 10:27 AM

BB

“ *Brian B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*

Brian B. - November 14, 2023 at 09:23 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*



November 13, 2023 at 05:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*



November 11, 2023 at 06:59 PM

RB

“ *Robert B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.*

Robert B. - November 11, 2023 at 06:59 PM

LL

“ Love, Bill & Lorraine purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.



Love, Bill & Lorraine - November 10, 2023 at 10:59 AM

LL

“ Love, Bill & Lorraine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.

Love, Bill & Lorraine - November 10, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.



November 10, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Walter (Walt) Lichtfuss.



November 09, 2023 at 08:48 AM

JW

“ I could always count on Walter to be ready for anything I could arrange in Worship and participation in our Catholic faith here at Cascade Heights!!!
Joe Weber

Joe Weber - November 04, 2023 at 11:53 AM

KG

Thank you so much for getting the host each week Joe. I know he appreciated you're doing this and for coordinating it so mass could be held weekly there.
Lichtfuss and Guillen Family

Karen Guillen - November 07, 2023 at 05:26 PM