



Ernest Derrick Sudler

July 13, 1951 - April 24, 2023

Ernest Derrick Sudler, age 71, of Bear, DE, was called home to rest on Monday, April 24, 2023, at Christiana Care Hospital.

Born in Dover, DE, on July 13, 1951, he was the son of Jean (Dabney) Sudler and the late Ernest B. Sudler, Jr. Derrick or Ernie, as he was called by family members, attended Mt. Zion AME Church as a child and was baptized on December 25, 1957, by The Rev. Donald G. Ming. His education started at Booker T. Washington Elementary School. From there he attended Dover Junior High School and later Dover Senior High School. Ernie enjoyed playing different sports throughout his academic career, including Pop Warner Football, Pony League, and Varsity Football. He later graduated in 1973 from Delaware State University. Ernie began his career at Delaware Trust Co. in Dover, DE and later headed the Wilmington Office as a Branch Manager. He later worked for Kraft Foods in Dover, DE where he retired. Ernie met and eventually married his wife, Helen Mayfield on July 10, 1976, and to this union a son was born, Ernest Derrick Sudler Jr.

In addition to his father, Ernie was preceded in death by his son, Derrick. He is survived by his loving, devoted wife of 46 years, Helen (Mayfield) Sudler; grandson, Markell Wright Sudler; and mother, Jean Sudler.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 9 am until 10 am on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 1000 North DuPont Parkway, New Castle, DE, where a funeral service will begin at 10 am. Interment will follow in Gracelawn Memorial Park, 2220 North DuPont

Highway, New Castle, DE.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ernie's memory to a charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall



“ Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ernest Derrick Sudler



Spicer - Mullikin Funeral Homes - August 25, 2025 at 05:06 PM

BS

“ My sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers to the family of Derrick Sudler.

Bessie Sudler - May 21, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Rest peace Cuz. You will be missed. Mr & Mrs John Brooks

John Brooks - May 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ My sincere condolences to the family of Derrick Sudler. I have known him since we were kids and he will be missed by many. God Bless you all. Carrie Roach Gunter

Carrie Roach Gunter - May 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ So sorry for your loss lifting you and your family up in prayer

Renner Caffee - May 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MY

“ *Helen and family, Sending you thoughts of comfort at this time, and praying that the many memories you hold in your heart will help you through this said time. Remembering us working together and be in your wedding. God bless .*

Maxine young - May 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *Sorry to see this about Derrick.I went to school with him such a nice person.I after wonder where he lived because I go pass his parents house when I would go see my parents.I did not know his dad passed.RIP Derrick*

Marsha Johnson Kosek - May 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Condolences to the family. Sorry for your loss*

Sharon Baynard - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ *To: Sisters Diane Dabney, Joyce Luis, and Rev. Jean Sudler, and family.
Please accept our heartfelt condolences in the loss of your dear son and nephew. We pray that God will provide the comfort you need to endure during this difficult time.
“Do not fear: I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.” Isaiah 41:10*

Ellen Dunn & Covenant Glory Women's Ministry CC Church, Dover - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ So sorry to have lost my cousin Derrick. Death is such an enemy but Revelation 21:4 promises that very soon “death will be no more”!!! We have so many to welcome back. Love you Aunt Jean

Desiree Luis - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ To the family, so sorry to read of Mr Suldurs passing. I often wonder about him. Remember him as a young man .And then when he started at Delaware Trust ,where I banked . Praying for your family.
God Bless
Arlena Coker
Cheswold ,De

Arlena Coker - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ So sorry you had to leave us so soon. 70 plus years is a blessing. Now you can rest with your dad and your son. We will see you one day, but you're present with the Lord now. We can rejoice now. Sending ❤️.

Joyce Luis - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Rev. Sudler and the entire Sudler family. My heart is so overwhelmed with your grief, I will keep your family in prayer.

Barbara Hortonr - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ My condolences to the family. Derrick and I were childhood friends. What a nice person.

Regan Hicks Goldstein - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

OM

“ *Sending heartfelt condolences to the entire family from Odell & Melissa God Bless.*

Odell Mayfield - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *My sincere condolences to the families. Praying for your comfort. Derrick was a very nice person and will be missed.*

Charlotte Harris Branch - May 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM