



Mr. Eric A. Mills of Hoffman Estates

September 16, 1972 - August 3, 2023

Eric A. Mills, 50, of Hoffman Estates, Illinois

Loving husband of Cheryl Mills, nee Engel; devoted father of Mallory, Austin and Sean; cherished son of Madeleine Mills and the late Anthony Mills; beloved brother of Maria Carney, Amy Mills, Peter (Amy) Mills and Ellen (Kevin) Duffy; loving uncle of many.

A Celebration of Life will take place at Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club, 1400 Poplar Creek Drive in Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 on Saturday, August 26th, 2023 from 2:30 - 6:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers donations to the Saint Viator High School Lacrosse Program (<https://www.saintviator.com/giving/give-today>) would be greatly appreciated.

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444.

For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences please click on the "Share A Memory" link above and you

can leave a message. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o the Family; we will gladly forward it on to the family.

Cemetery Details

The Directors at Morizzo Funeral Home entrusted with any Visitation, Funeral & Committal; requested.

2550 Hassell Road
(Northeast corner at Barrington Road)
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
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Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 26. 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Bridges of Poplar Creek Country Club
1400 Poplar Creek Drive
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *My husband & I worked for Eric for a few years until he persuaded me to experience a different unit, I don't think i would have gone if not for his pep talk. I will always have a smile on my face thinking of you doing the worm dance at my wedding, you will truly be missed.*
John & Charley O

Charley - September 09, 2023 at 10:30 AM

SS

“ *I knew Eric from our days at New Trier, sophomore year him and I were best friends and worked at homers together. Love that guy, I Remember he would always laugh at his own jokes, I would too, he was super funny. My condolences, he truly had the divine spark and spread that out to a lot of people. He'll be missed.*

Sean Scanlon - August 30, 2023 at 10:52 AM

WW

“ *Eric you will forever be missed. You will always be my friend/brother. It took me a while to share my thoughts because this was a very hard thing for me to do. I thank you for all you were to me as a friend and rest well!!!*
PS: Thank you for always giving me the definition of ARMY !!! See you on the other side Brother!

Willie Woods - August 26, 2023 at 02:05 PM

M.

“ My sincere condolences to the Mills Family . Work with Eric for many years and as Deputies and eventually I was his Sgt when he was my Lieutenant and then finally as my Superintendent. You will be missed and the voice will always be remembered. RIP friend .
M.Gercone

M.Gercone - August 26, 2023 at 12:54 PM

BU

“ The world has lost a great one. So many great memories from my ISU days and Lacrosse with Millzy. I can't image all the lives he has touched since then. Lots of love and prayers to Cheryl (Shirley) and the entire Mills family. -- Bundy

Bundy - August 25, 2023 at 01:34 PM

KS

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of such a vibrant and memorable person. I knew Eric in high school at New Trier; we were teammates on the swim team, which he captained as a senior. Eric was so much fun, full of life and could always make you laugh. We lost touch after high school, but I thought of him many times over the years. I am glad and unsurprised, at least, to read from so many tributes here that his good humor and loyalty that I experienced so often in high school remained central to who he was. My deepest condolences to his family and all who knew him well.

Ken Sugiura - August 24, 2023 at 07:21 PM

DN

“ *Being Cheryl's aunt, I knew Eric since he came into her life. Together they created a beautiful family, all devoted to each other, as Eric was to them. I will miss Eric's smile, humor, and that gravelly voice. He will be missed by so many because he touched so many. All my love and best wishes to Cheryl, Mallory, Sean and Austin.*

Denise Norwood - August 23, 2023 at 10:25 AM

JC

“ *I had the chance to coach lacrosse with Mills for two seasons at SWARM. Fair, tough and fun. He clearly loved the sport and coaching the kids, my son Jack included. One of a kind...someone who served his country and the community. I will miss hearing that gravelly voice from across the field. Sincere condolences to Cheryl, Sean, Mallory, Austin and all his family & friends.*

John, Jen, Jack & Ali Colucci



John Colucci - August 22, 2023 at 01:20 PM

SJ

“ *Our condolences to Cheryl, Mallory, Austin, Sean and the entire Mills family. May God bless you all, and may God hold Eric forever in the palm of His hand.*

Susan and Ron James

Susan James - August 20, 2023 at 01:38 PM

KP

“ *The Bears games will never be the same. We will miss your commentary, humor, laughs, your ability to get on the field and of coarse snacks. Rest in Peace friend! And as always Let’s Go Bears! Kathleen and Mark*



Kathleen Pancini - August 15, 2023 at 07:48 PM

CF

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Calvin fields - August 10, 2023 at 03:16 AM

MM

What an amazing pic Calvin. I remember meeting Eric when I came to Warrants and Evictions. Hearing that raspy voice I'll never forget.

Mike Morys - August 11, 2023 at 10:48 PM

CU

“ *Millsy was truly a great American. One of the first people I met when I got to Chicago. Played lax together, reffed together, coached together, and as you can see in attached picture we worked hard at solving a lot of thee world's problems. Any event was always better when Millsy was there. His one of a kind voice always alerted you to his presence. I will miss hearing, "Good to see me!" And "You know what Army stands for? Ain't Ready for Marines Yet". He had such a tremendous impact on so many youth lacrosse players. I will miss him.*



Charlie Uchill - August 09, 2023 at 09:35 AM

MW

“ *It was a joy to first watch Eric officiate high school lacrosse games and then to officiate next to him on the field. He was a leader on and off the field. I will always remember his booming voice and great smile. Peace. Mark Wagner*

Mark J Wagner - August 09, 2023 at 08:12 AM

CH

“ *Coach, was always willing to lend a hand and definitely gave a smile too. Coach opened the world of lacrosse to our family. Providing loving and caring moments with our children in the many games and hours spent together. You will always have a place in our hearts, coach. -Paul, Kai, Caiden, and Lia.*

Coach Paul Hays - August 08, 2023 at 11:11 PM

RT

“ Worked with Eric for a short period and what I will always remember is how he made me laugh. My condolences and prayers to his family.

Raquel Terry - August 08, 2023 at 08:28 PM

CF

“ Met Eric Mills when he became my supervisor and the Evictions Warrants & Levies Unit, heard recently of his untimely passing and he will surely be missed.

Calvin I Fields - August 08, 2023 at 12:01 PM

CS

“ Met Eric while starting the SAA Lacrosse league. His knowledge, love, and devotion to the sport were palpable. He could talk for hours on the subject. He was extremely helpful, as some of us had never played the sport before. Such a great guy to talk to. You will be missed Eric. Best wishes to your family.

Chris S - August 08, 2023 at 08:34 AM

DD

“ Enjoyed working with him, he was great Sgt. in my unit. Looked out for us , a hell of a guy. Definitely will be missed Godspeed Eric.

Dino DiPaolo - August 07, 2023 at 10:22 PM

FV

“ Mills was a wonderful man he and I worked together in the Maywood 24 hour lockup and the warrant and eviction unit. He was the absolutely best to work with. In your life you will lose people along the way. But this is one of the tough ones. To the family may God comfort you.

Floyd Vick - August 07, 2023 at 09:59 PM

LC

“ I remember him as a very personable and likeable person. Our paths would cross as we got promoted and business dealings. I am shocked to hear about the loss and wish the family well. Lieutenant Michael Beavers CCSD

Lt. Michael Beavers CCSD - August 07, 2023 at 05:03 PM

JA

“ Prayers and condolences go out all of the Mills family. So sorry for your loss. He was an awesome individual and will truly be missed.

Jack - August 07, 2023 at 03:49 PM

RH

“ Amy, Maria and entire Mills family. Sending heartfelt condolences on your loss. May Eric rest in peace 🙏

Rosemary Hughes - August 07, 2023 at 10:44 AM

RS

Please accept our condolences on behalf of the Marines of Weapons Platoon, Lima Company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines. We are deeply saddened to hear of Eric's passing, and always appreciate our service together in the Marines. Semper Fidelis, Robert Smullen, Colonel U.S. Marine Corps (Ret.)

Robert Smullen - August 07, 2023 at 01:18 PM



“ I’ll always remember Mr. Mills for his great sense of humor. He took Mallory and I to our first concert (fall out boy) and picked us up from our first festival. After the festival, we had to walk to the parking spot he had as a Bears season ticket holder. It was so far and Mallory and my feet hurt so bad. He told us not to complain (rightfully so). Mallory and I were a handful at the beginning of high school. He kept an eye on us and kept us in line, because he cared. I am going to miss him.

Jocelyn Lafyatis - August 06, 2023 at 02:48 PM

DH

Mills was my first squad leader when I join the Marine Corps. He was a great guy, funny, personable, but knew when to be tough when it mattered. He’ll be greatly missed.

Donovan Holligan - August 06, 2023 at 09:27 PM

JG

“ Millsy,
You were a mentor, someone I respected, and most importantly a good friend. You made me a better coach and more a better person. I will always cherish our friendship and I am extremely grateful that I was someone who was lucky enough to call you friend and lucky enough to be one of the many many people who’s world you made better! Sharing the sidelines with you was an honor and privilege!
Love ya brother and Go Bears!
Joe Garofalo

Joe Garofalo - August 06, 2023 at 07:20 AM