



David Charles West

June 1, 1942 - August 9, 2025

David Charles West, born June 1, 1942, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and who passed away peacefully on August 9, 2025, in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, with his beloved daughters and granddaughter by his side.

David was the cherished son of Charles and Eleanor West. He grew up in Philadelphia and answered the call to serve his country as a mechanic in the United States Air Force, dedicating his early years to service and learning the value of hard work and dedication.

After his service, David married the love of his life, Eileen (McDonnell) West. Together, they built a home and a lifetime of memories over 56 wonderful years of marriage. They settled in Warminster, Pennsylvania, and raised two daughters, Michele (Weiler-Fair) and Pamela (Kuhling), providing them with a loving and supportive home.

With Eileen, David found not just a partner but his best friend. In the late 1980s, David and Eileen moved their family to Sarasota, Florida, where they shared adventures on their boat, shopping, dancing, throwing parties, taking long walks with his favorite dog, Daisy. There was nothing he enjoyed more than relaxing with a cold beer or Manhattan, always with Eileen by his side. In their later years, their devotion only grew; when Eileen needed care in a nursing home, David demonstrated selfless love, visiting her every afternoon.

for their cherished ice cream dates.

David was a true hard worker, dedicating his career to repairing small engines- and in his spare time home improvement project Eileen had for him. Whether at work or helping out neighbors and friends, he was always willing to lend a hand. Yet, of all his life's roles, none meant more to him than being a father. He cherished every moment with his family, quietly supporting, loving, and guiding them. David was a man of few words who preferred to go with the flow, but his presence spoke volumes: he was steadfast, reliable, and always there for those he loved.

David is survived by his daughters Michele Weiler-Fair and Pamela Kuhling; three granddaughters, Candace, Shawna, and Kalyssa; one grandson, Tyler; and three great-grandchildren, David, Charlotte, and Dior. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Eileen E. West. Sisters Barbara Seely, Norma Hernberg and great neice Taylor Leslie.

Though David was quiet, his actions spoke of a lifetime of love, hard work, and steadfast devotion to his family. The memory of his gentle spirit, unwavering strength, and loving heart will remain with us always.

A military service will be held on Thursday August 14th at 10am at Sarasota National Cemetery, 9810 State Road 72 (Clark Road), Sarasota, FL 34241.

Previous Events

Military Service

AUG **14**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery
9810 State Rd 72
Sarasota, FL 34241
(941) 922-7200

Tribute Wall

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“ *My daughter hugging poppy on our last visit with him, and my mom next to him the last time we went out to eat together <3* ”



shawna - August 13, 2025 at 11:06 PM

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“ *Shawna lit a candle in memory of David Charles West* ”



shawna - August 13, 2025 at 11:00 PM

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“ I remember when poppy used to tell me about when he was fixing airplanes in the Air Force. I did a research project, and interviewed him when I was in grade school. it was always so interesting to hear about what he used to do in the Air Force, and just hearing his all of his memories of fixing the planes. I also remember him working at John Deere and going to visit him there when I was little. We've had so many good memories visiting him in Florida almost every summer, sitting out back in the lanai with him and nana while he enjoyed an ice cold Foster's out of the mini fridge. the most recent and cherished memory I have of him, we went out to eat at a really nice restaurant on the bay with my aunt, my mom and my daughter and we had a really nice time then afterwards we went out for ice cream at Kirkland's. We sat by the pool that day together too and it was really nice spending time together with him in his last days. I really miss spending time with him, and wish I could spend more with him. im so glad we got to see him and hug him and tell him how much we loved him before he passed. You will be missed so much poppy, along with nana. We miss you both so much and love you both so much. <3 Rest in peace <3

shawna - August 13, 2025 at 10:59 PM

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“ Mr West aka Dad.....he was my best girlfriends dad and he was a real good man. In 1991 he got real drunk at Michele's wedding, rightfully so, and I held his hair back for most the night. We bonded over that. He was so loving and welcoming every time I saw him. I am sad such a good man is gone, but kind of in awe he left so soon after the love of his life. I choose to believe he went to her and they are now young and in love again xo

Tina - August 13, 2025 at 08:39 PM