

ERIC WESTIN OBT.

Eric Westin

b. ?, Long Beach, CA – d. 5 August 2019, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, md **Linda (unknown) Westin**. Eric Westin, s/o **Erik Albert Westin** (1896-1962) & **Helen Ruth Johnson** (1910-1990), both buried in Green Hills Memorial Park, Rancho Palos Verdes, Los Angeles Co., CA.

BAXTER — Eric Westin, 75, of Baxter, Tennessee, passed away Monday, Aug. 5, 2019, at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville.



The son of the late Albert and Helen Westin, he was born in Long Beach, California. Eric loved the beach and was a surfer boy at heart. He graduated from Long Beach State University with a degree in Art, and Industrial Arts, and was an accomplished track and field athlete.

Eric's one-time summer job, driving the Monorail at Disneyland - Anaheim, led to a long career with Disney, marrying Snow White, and culminating as a Walt Disney Imagineer and Senior Vice President with several outside projects along the way. Eric's creative design and development skills were always sought after as he was hired by filmmaker, George Lucas, to create and develop the innovative Skywalker Ranch located in Northern California.

Upon completion of that project, Eric and family (wife Linda, daughter Lisa, cat and dog) moved to Paris, France for four years to work on creating what is now called Disneyland Paris.

Upon returning to the states, Eric was enlisted to help with an exciting project in Nashville, Tennessee, the Delta expansion of the Opryland Hotel. Although initially, Eric and family viewed this as a temporary project, one and all fell in love with Tennessee and made it their forever home.

Eric's last big project was being a part of the design and development team creating the New World of Coke located in Atlanta, Georgia. In his retirement, he became an avid woodturner who spent many enjoyable hours in his workshop.

He was a member of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Middle Tennessee Woodturners Association and big supporter of the Cookeville/Putnam County Animal Shelter.

Eric is survived by Linda, his wife of 47 years; daughter, Lisa Westin-Bajar (Rob); a sister, Janet Westin-Bicker (Dennis); and friends from near and far.

A Celebration of Life is planned for 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019 at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 565 E. 10th Street, Cookeville, TN 38501 or Friends of Cookeville/Putnam County Animals, P.O. Box 2615, Cookeville, TN 38502.

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