



# Edward Charles Halligan

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**A**s his family, we want to share with our loving community the sad news of the death of our beloved Edward “Ed” Halligan, who passed away peacefully at his home on February 2nd, at the age of 73.

Born in Buffalo, New York, into a wonderful family with Irish-Catholic and German roots, Ed's life can be characterized by a remarkable work ethic from an early age. Even before turning 18, he worked in the longshoreman's union. After attending Buffalo State and earning his degree in Criminal Justice, Ed embarked on his life's calling in law enforcement, moving to Baltimore in 1973 to join the Baltimore City Police Department. Ed's career journey continued when he joined the DEA in 1983, dedicating an additional 24 years to the agency.

Throughout Ed's life, he constantly reminisced about his time as a patrolman, homicide detective, and countless narcotics interdiction cases. He also spoke fondly of international assignments in countries like Russia, India, and during the Invasion of Panama.

Much of his career can be defined by his roles in various leadership positions. These were exemplified during his tenure as the Resident Agent in Charge in Charleston, South Carolina, his instructional roles at Quantico, and his concluding roles at DEA Headquarters in Arlington, VA in the Office of Professional Responsibility.

Post-DEA, Ed also made significant contributions with the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol, as well as the FBI.

Throughout this journey, Ed amassed a tremendous number of close friends, whose camaraderie he cherished and of whom he spoke daily.

Alongside his treasured friends, he also is survived by his wife, Sharon; children, Kelly, Kristin (Derrick), Dante, Kevin, and Patrick (Becca); 11 grandchildren; and sister, Patricia Lesinski



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(Joseph). Ed was also an avid fan of the Buffalo Bills, Sabres, and Baltimore Orioles, a passion that mirrored his enthusiasm for life.

Known for being the life of every gathering, and a friend to all, Ed's humor, generosity, and the unforgettable memories he created will be deeply missed. As we mourn, we find solace in the love and support from family and friends, and in the beautiful memories of Ed's incredible life.

We are planning a celebration of Ed's life and career, details of which will be shared soon. Our family wanted to ensure that all of our friends were aware of his passing (feel free to share with anyone that may have known him), and we invite you to join us in remembering and celebrating an extraordinary man whose life was a testament to hard work, dedication, and most importantly love.




# Events


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## Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, March 9, 2024

 11:00 AM ET

 **Basilica of the Assumption**  
409 Cathedral Street, Baltimore MD 21201





# Tribute Wall

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**John And Jen Sullivan** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Halligan family.



March 10 at 4:22 AM



**John And Jen Sullivan** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Edward.



March 10 at 4:22 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Halligan family.



March 7 at 9:35 AM



**Minnie R.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Edward.



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**Scott And Joelle Wygant** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Halligan family.



March 3 at 12:10 PM



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**Bob & Michele Sinclair** posted:

Ed and Sharon are a true love story. We were fortunate to become family when our Granddaughter married their son, Patrick. Ed was always warm, loving and a master of fun and shenanigans! Any time we spent with him is memorable, and he is in our hearts forever. Love and prayers to his entire wonderful family. We feel lucky to keep Sharon in our lives. Bob and Michele Sinclair

March 3 at 8:55 AM



**Vinny Velotta** posted:

Ed and I worked together in South Carolina. He was an excellent RAC and a good friend. All who knew him will miss him. Rest with the Good Lord, Ed!Marguerite & Vinny Velotta

February 28 at 8:55 AM



**Federico Villarreal** posted:

I had wonderful experiences with Ed while we were in DEA International Training in Quantico, especially in Paraguay and Costa Rica. I will never forget him, and offer my condolences to his Family. Fred Villarreal

February 18 at 6:04 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Halligan family.

February 13 at 11:14 AM





# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Edward by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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