

## **Service Summary**

## **Private Services**

Location: - Not available -

## **Obituary**

**Born:** Sunday, November 9, 1947 **Died:** Tuesday, August 6, 2013

ACKERMAN, Dr. Gerald Lee, age 65, of Eaton, OH. formerly of Richmond, IN.

died suddenly Tues. Aug. 6, 2013. He was born in Dayton, OH. on Nov. 9,

1947 to Robert A. and Evelyn Jane (Gross) Ackerman. He graduated from

Columbus High School in Columbus, IN. He completed his undergraduate

studies, earned a degree in Doctor of Dental Surgery and completed an

orthodontic residency at Indiana University. He was preceded in death by

his parents. He is survived by his wife of 7 years, Susan Ackerman, Eaton,

OH., 2 sons, Bryce (Whitney) Ackerman, St. Louis, MO., Chad (Kelly)

Ackerman, Bloomington, IN., daughter, Lindsey (Doug) Bivens, Indianapolis,

IN., 3 stepsons, Jeff (Mandy) Thompson, Ann Arbor, MI., Grant (Libby)

Thompson, Cleveland, OH., Scott Thompson and Tara Twomley of Atlanta, GA.,

1 grandchild, Sheridan, 4 step-grandchildren, Aurora, Ella, Josie, and Sloane,

his brother, Bob (Patty) Ackerman, Centerville, OH., and sister, Debbie

(Roger) Reeves, Dublin, OH.

Ackerman moved with his family to Richmond in 1977 to begin his orthodontic

practice and soon expanded to Connersville and New Castle, IN. His Richmond

office, a dazzling, state of the art building on Chester Blvd., was built

with an eye on making braces fun for kids! His office included a juke box

and multiple arcade games, and his patient holiday parties encouraged

parents to drop their kids off for music, pizza, skits, and huge giveaways

that included Ataris, tv's, and stereos. He was currently treating third

generations of patients and was very proud of their accomplishments as

reflected on office walls displaying newspaper clippings of their

achievements. His loyal staff were dedicated and looked upon him as a

friend and mentor. Ackerman was actively involved in his kids' sporting

lives growing up, and he played a major role in growing

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Boston Little League baseball into a viable option to Richmond's Optimist League. Ackerman was an avid reader and always enjoyed traveling to the Caribbean and Las Vegas.

Most recently he enjoyed living the more tranquil life of living on a lake

with his wife and cats. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that a

charitable donation be made to one of the following organizations: Adult

Day Care of Richmond or Help the Animals of

Richmond. Funeral services will

be held at the convenience of the family.

For condolences: www.lindloffzimmerman.com

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