



Edward C. Powers

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Edward C. Powers was born and raised in Painesville as one of five children. He attended St. Mary School and was a 1968 graduate of St. Joseph High School. He attended the University of Notre Dame and graduated in 1972 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications. While at ND, he was involved in many campus organizations, but was proudest of his role as sports commentator for the campus radio station.

Ed graduated from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law in 1980 with a Juris Doctor Degree. He was employed by the Lake County Prosecutor's Office from 1981-1986 at which time he went into private practice. In 1992, he was hired as the prosecutor for both Painesville City and Madison Township Police Departments, a position he held for twenty-one years. He developed a working relationship of mutual respect with both departments, had an impeccable reputation for both fairness and honesty, and formed lasting friendships. He was a well-respected member of the Lake County Bar Association.

Ed was devoted to his Catholic faith. He was a lifelong member of St. Mary Church in Painesville where he served as a lector at Sunday Mass and was a member of both Parish Council and the Holy Name Society. He was a forty-one year member of the Knights of Columbus Council #947 where he served as Grand Knight and District Deputy and was also a member of the Fourth Degree. He was a past member of the Camp Sue Osborn Board.

Ed was proud to serve in both the public and private sector of his hometown. He had fond memories of his childhood and loved to embellish them in the retelling. He cherished the camaraderie of both his family and friends. All were fair game when it came to his sense of humor: family, friends, victims' advocates, policemen, clerks, or judges. He was an avid sports fan who could accurately quote statistics from high school, college, or pro games from forty years ago, be they football, basketball, or baseball.

Ed touched many lives through his faith, his career, and his community involvement. It is our hope that one way his legacy will continue is through this scholarship. May the assistance this scholarship provides help you in the pursuit of your dreams.

