



Charles Edward Ficker

August 16, 1936 - February 7, 2025

Charles Edward “Ed” Ficker Sr.

A beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Charles Edward “Ed” Ficker Sr.

passed away peacefully on February 7, 2025, surrounded by his wife and daughters.

He was born in Hendersonville, North Carolina, on August 16, 1936, to Francis and Bessie (Drake)

Ficker. A graduate of Flat Rock High School, he attended Florida State University and Brevard

College, after which he began his career as a golf professional at Hendersonville Country Club.

In 1964, he moved his family to Tequesta, Florida, where he served for 41 years as the head golf professional at Tequesta Country Club.

Known for his integrity and his kind, gentle spirit, Ed did not meet a stranger.

He was an active

member of the South Florida section of the Professional Golfers’ Association (PGA), having

held numerous positions. In 2001, he was inducted into the South Florida

PGA Hall of Fame. A dedicated Christian and long-time member of First Baptist Church of Tequesta, he served his church as a deacon and a small-group leader. Upon his retirement, he volunteered at Jupiter Medical Center until his declining health prohibited him from continuing.

Ed left an indelible mark on his family and the community. He is survived by his wife of over 63 years, Patricia Bowden Ficker; his children Wendy Ficker Anderson (Dana), Sandy Ficker Vandercook (Philip), Sherry Ficker Hayes (Rick), and Kim Cato Ficker; his eight grandchildren; and his ten great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Charles "Chuck" Edward Ficker Jr.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at 12:00 noon with the service following at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ed's memory can be sent to Global Maritime Ministries, P.O. Box 750787, New Orleans, LA 70175-0787 or given online at portministry.com/give.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home
250 Center Street
Jupiter, FL 33458
(561) 744-2030
<https://www.taylorandmodeenflorida.com>

Celebration of Life

FEB 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MD

“ I meet Ed in 1972 while I was working at Jupiter Hills. I needed a Christmas gift for my wife. I stopped in to the golf shop and meet Ed. I picked out a Izod dress for my wife. I asked Ed if I could buy the dress and pay him over time. He said absolutely young man. He didn't know me but he must of realized I had very little money. I paid a little bit every week for a month. I have never forgotten what he did for me. Ed was a true professional, a gentleman, someone we should all strive to be like. RIP Ed and God Bless.

michael S Doctor - April 16, 2025 at 06:20 PM

MH

“ My love to Pat, Sherry, Rick, Adam, Wendy, Sandy, Kim and all the Ficker family ❤️
Mr. Ed Ficker has a legacy of a wonderful family he led spiritually as a godly man. I witnessed his love for God as a Christian, husband, father and trusted businessman in the Tequesta community. He was always kind to me and always with a smile. His was a life well lived for the glory of God. I'm blessed/honored for the privilege that our paths crossed many years ago. I actually don't think I know enough superlative words to describe this excellent man.
“We all have happy memories of the godly....” Proverbs 10:7
With my love and prayers for God's love, comfort and peace to wrap your lives 🌹 -marcia hurst

marcia hurst - February 11, 2025 at 12:42 PM

RH

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Rick Hayes - February 08, 2025 at 08:28 PM

BW

“ *What a wonderful review of Ed's life. Every word is true- he was an amazing man and an example to other men. I am honored to have known Ed and able to call him a friend.*

For Pat and the family, I love you all and praying for God's love, peace, and comfort

Betty Wolcott

Betty Wolcott - February 07, 2025 at 08:03 PM

BS

So sorry for your loss! Ed was a wonderful man and was always kind to me and my family! A true man of God! We have piece of mind knowing we will see him again one day! Sorry I can't be there for the family! But you all will be in my thoughts and prayers! RIP Ed

Barbara Singleton - February 07, 2025 at 08:26 PM

SM

I have grown to love and respect Ed over the 42 years that I attended church with him. All my love to all of the Ficker family. Prayers of peace and comfort for all of you. 🌹

Sharon Mcclinsey - February 07, 2025 at 11:22 PM

LS

A kind and gentle man who loved his family and excelled in passing his joy, good cheer and kindness to all who were blessed to have been part of his life. He will be fondly remembered by all. Rest in Peace dear friend. Linda Snyder

Linda Snyder - February 08, 2025 at 05:03 AM

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Linda Snyder - February 08, 2025 at 05:05 AM

BD

Ed-the consummate gentleman and professional, always a smile, more interested in how you were doing rather than himself. It was a privilege to be a part of his life for so many, and may you rest in peace.

Bill Davis

Bill Davis - February 09, 2025 at 08:24 AM

DP

Absolutely a true professional in every sense of the word. My condolences to your family. Rest in peace, Ed.

Dave Pesacov - February 09, 2025 at 10:20 AM

KS

I was so sorry to hear of Ed's passing, he truly was a Great man of God, a a dear friend to all who knew him. He will me missed. Condolences to the whole family.

Karen Lowery Samples

Karen Lowery Samples - February 09, 2025 at 12:37 PM

HG

When I think of Ed Ficker i remember him as a true gentleman and ultimate PGA Golf Professional! He was very gracious with his time and advice. I was the new and young and first time head golf professional at a neighboring club. I had gotten to know Ed as I was the assistant at the club. When I was promoted Ed was so supportive and gracious with his time and mentorship helping guide me through the first few months. He was always available anytime for advice and just a listening ear! He was my model throughout my PGA career. My condolences to his family. He his now in a special place deserving of such a wonderful human being.

Hunt Gilliland

Hunt Gilliland - February 10, 2025 at 04:35 PM

WB

Ed was a gentle giant in the PGA! He was a mentor to me and many... Always willing to give back and lean a helping hand! Well done good and faithful servant! RIP ED!

Warren Bottke - February 11, 2025 at 09:40 PM