

Police Officer Edmund J. “Ed” Schindler P-585 (1941-2018)

Ed was born December 3, 1941, graduated from Western Hills High School in 1960, and attended Chase Law School.

From September to November 1960 he worked at the Hutchison Brothers’ Leather Company on W. 8th Street. He then worked as a salesman at Rollman and Sons at 5th and Vine Streets until January 1961. He then joined the United States Naval Reserve and completed basic training in Great Lake, Illinois.

After basic training, Ed joined the Cincinnati Police Division as a Police Cadet on September 11, 1961 and was assigned to Central Station (the city jail in City Hall).

Four months later, during January 1962, the Navy activated him and he was assigned as a Hospital Corpsman on the U.S.S. Independence. On April 19, 1962 she sailed to the 6th Fleet to support President Kennedy’s stand firm on Berlin. When that was resolved, she sailed into the Caribbean during the Cuban Missile Crisis during October 1962. During August 1963 she participated in combined sea exercises in the Mediterranean Sea with France and England. Corpsman Schindler was honorably discharged January 18, 1964.



Cadet Schindler returned to the Cincinnati Police Division and Central Station on January 19, 1964. On March 23, 1964, he was promoted to Police Recruit. On June 28, 1964 he was promoted to Patrolman, issued Badge 585, and assigned to District 1 (310 Lincoln Park Drive). One year later, he was rotated to District 7 (813 Beecher Street).



During the early morning hours of Monday, August 24, 1970, Patrolman Schindler was sitting in his patrol car parked near a call box on Rockdale Avenue just west of Reading Road when Gerrard Harvey (21) ambushed and shot him; the bullet going through his right arm, both lungs, windpipe, liver, and intestines. After ten hours of surgery, then another one-hour surgery, he was given a 50/50 chance of survival. He did survive, and Harvey was convicted, but served less than 5 years.

On May 2, 1971, Patrolman Schindler returned to work, assigned to the Police Supply Room where he would spend the rest of his career. He retired June 14, 1997 with 36½ years of service to his country and community.

Patrolman Schindler was also a 54-year and very active member the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge Number 69. He was a long-time Secretary for the lodge from the early 1980s to 1988. He served in various capacities, with honesty and integrity, through 2017, when he stepped down due to being diagnosed with cancer.

Officer Schindler passed away late in the afternoon on May 22, 2018 at the age 76.

He was predeceased by his son, Jay Schindler. Officer Schindler is survived by his wife of 52 years, Mick (Riehle) Schindler; children, Amy (Tim) Sexton and Steve (Peggy) Schindler; and grandchildren, Corey (Christy) Sexton, Alex Sexton, Kyle Sexton, Abby Schindler, Allie Schindler, Annie Schindler, Alise Schindler, and Ashley Schindler.

Visitation will be held 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on May 25, 2018 at [Mihovk Rosenacker Funeral Home](#) on Cheviot Avenue near North Bend Road in Monfort Heights. FOP services will be held at 7:45 p.m. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at [St. James Church of White Oak](#) on Hubble Road at Cheviot Avenue.

Memorials may be made to “A Van for Miss Driggers”, c/o Dan Wallace, St. James School.