



Edijon Saxton

December 15, 1947 - May 4, 2017

Edijon Batchler Saxton, affectionately known by family and friends as “Edi” was born December 15, 1947 in Osaka, Japan to George and Etsuko (Sakai) Batchler. She was raised in Japan with her Mom and maternal grandparents until she was around seven years old. It was at this time, George was able to bring his “war bride”, young daughter, Edijon and younger brother, James to the U.S. The family spent some time in California, Joplin, MO, where Georgie and David were born and finally stationed in Ft. Leonard Wood, where Janet and John came along. The eldest of six children, Edi has always been the nurturer and loving Big Sis to the Batchler clan.

Edijon attended Waynesville Jr. and Sr. High Schools, graduating in the class of 1965. She went on to attend Central Missouri State College in Warrensburg, Missouri where she studied nursing and met her husband to be, Leon Saxton, Jr.! Leon, the “City Slicker” from Kansas City, MO, swept her off her feet and they were married January 6th, 1968. Together they started a family bringing Leon (Boo) the III and Ukiko (Uki) Yvette into this world in 1968 and 1972, respectively. Because of his service in the Army, the family has lived in Seattle, WA, and Houston, TX. They remained in Houston for 25+ years, where Edi worked in the restaurant industry. Edi initially worked in accounting for Luther’s Bar-B-Que and then went on to work in operations under renowned Executive Chef Robert DelGrande in 5-star restaurant, Café Annie.

In the late 1990's, Edi and Leon decided to move back to their home state of Missouri. One, to be closer to her mother and two, she wanted to use her restaurant accounting and operations experience, coupled with her middle sister's administrative and management expertise to open the family business, Sweetwater Bar-B-Que in March 1999. With humble beginnings of just a hand-built premium pit and a carry-out counter, she was able to grow it into a 50+ seat restaurant with yearly accolades of being the Best Ribs in the Ozarks! Edijon was a dedicated member of the St. Robert/Waynesville Tourism Board, representing the restaurants in the area for many years. She was also a member of the local Chamber of Commerce.

Of the many accomplishments during her lifetime, nothing meant more to her than that of her family. Edijon was preceded in death by her son, Leon (Boo); both parents, Etsuko McCord and George Batchler; brother, James and mother-in-law, Lillie Jean Saxton. Edi leaves behind to celebrate her life, her adoring husband of 50+ years, Leon Saxton, Jr.; a loving daughter, Ukiko Y. Saxton-Williams (Brian); sisters Georgie Batchler Trotter (Lewis); Janet J. Batchler Potts (Arlan); brothers, David Batchler (Patricia); and John Batchler (Jennifer); Grandchildren, Mallory D'Ann, Ukara L., Breanna J., Brandon and Bianca; brothers-in-law, Larry B. Saxton (Tanina); J. Michael Saxton (Toni); sisters-in-law Helen L. Brown (Loren), Ida L. Saxton, and Mallory J. Saxton and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles and other relatives, friends and loved ones!

Services were held at 12:30 p.m. Friday, May 12, 2017 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Rev. Arlan Potts officiating. The songs "Take Me to the King" by Tamela Mann and "Worth" by Anthony Brown were played. Several of Edijon's friends and family members recalled their wonderful memories of her. Serving as escorts were John Batchler, Michael Saxton, David Batchler, Rod Mosley, Carl Lawrence,

Richard Aaron, Brian William and Mike Williams. Burial followed in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville, Missouri.

A Memorial has been established to the Lupus Foundation in memory of Mrs. Saxton and contributions and may be left at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H
Waynesville, MO 65583

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
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(573) 774-6111
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Edijon Saxton*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - May 16, 2017 at 09:55 AM



“ *Edijon Saxton*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *My deepest condolences and prayers. May the good Lord be with you all through this tough time. God Bless.*



Avin Brinson - May 12, 2017 at 12:41 PM



“ 7 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - May 12, 2017 at 12:02 PM

JB

“ *Joanne Banks lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton*



joanne banks - May 12, 2017 at 11:10 AM

JB

“ *So so sorry for the loss of Eddy Saxton she will be greatly missed.*

My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

family; friends; and those that knew her!

May you all know she is now at peace without

no pain. My utmost Condolences! RIP Eddy Saxton. 🙏

Joanne Banks so sorry could not be there. Georgie thinking of you.

Love you Myoho sister



joanne banks - May 12, 2017 at 10:51 AM



“ 87 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - May 12, 2017 at 09:23 AM

TS

“ So sorry to here about Edijon. She was like a mom to me. I will keep the family in my prayers.

Tonya and Family

tonya smith - May 11, 2017 at 07:58 PM

JW

“ My dear daughter I am so sorry about the loss of your mother I wish I could be there with u but I am praying for u all. Love u much

joyce Williams - May 11, 2017 at 12:34 AM

JH

“ *Leon Thinking of you during these hard times.
Let me know if you or the family need
anything.*



Jim Holloway - May 10, 2017 at 08:37 PM

DC

“ *Eddie will forever be in our hearts!!*

Darren & Carole - May 10, 2017 at 04:10 PM

ST

“ *Steven And Laurie Thompson lit a candle in
memory of Edijon Saxton*



Steven and Laurie Thompson - May 10, 2017 at 05:06 AM

TO

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Edijon was like a mom to me. She will be
missed.*

Tonya smith

tonya - May 09, 2017 at 10:15 PM

Janet
Griggs

“ To Uki and the family, You have suffered a loss but God makes no mistakes. We the Griggs family are praying for strength for and the family during your time of sorrow. Know that we Love you all so dearly.

Love,
Janet Griggs and Family
Houston, Texas

Janet Griggs - May 09, 2017 at 08:22 PM

JL

“ Jennifer And Leah lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton



Jennifer and Leah - May 09, 2017 at 08:16 PM

JL

“ Heaven gained another angel. I know you will watch over your family from above with the same love and tenderness as you did while in their presence. All our love goes out to Leon and Uki, as well as the rest of the family.

Jennifer and Leah💖

Jennifer and Leah - May 09, 2017 at 08:15 PM

RE

“ Renard And Lisa Ellis lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton



Renard and Lisa Ellis - May 09, 2017 at 01:05 PM

RE

I'm so sorry Leon... Know I'm thinkin about you.

Renard and Lisa Ellis - May 09, 2017 at 01:08 PM

YR

“ *Leon ...I'm so sorry for you loss. Heaven gain an angel!! Billy and I will be praying for you and your family.*
Yvonne Regan



Yvonne Regan - May 09, 2017 at 08:13 AM

 Debbie Kendrick

“ *Debbie Kendrick lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton*



Debbie Kendrick - May 06, 2017 at 10:55 PM



“ *Paula Forrest lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton*



Paula Forrest - May 06, 2017 at 04:04 PM



SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS

Paula Forrest - May 06, 2017 at 04:09 PM

BR

“ *Brenda Rose lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton*



Brenda Rose - May 06, 2017 at 03:25 PM

PS

“ *So very sorry for your loss*



Pam Seda - May 06, 2017 at 10:06 AM

RM

“ *Roderick And Tammy Mosley lit a candle in memory of Edijon Saxton*



Roderick and Tammy Mosley - May 06, 2017 at 09:01 AM