

WALTER EDWARD EISELE, JR.
April 17, 1942 – January 31, 2020



Walter's paternal grandparents, Ernest (1887-1967) and Amelia Eisele (1880-1979), were born in Germany. They emigrated to the United States in 1902, settling in Staten Island, New York, and became naturalized citizens in 1907. They are buried in Wilton, Connecticut, with their son Ernest, Jr. (1909-1967), and daughter, Gertrude (1907-1991) and her husband, Otto Hohnecker. Walter's father, Walter Edward Eisele, Sr., was born in Staten Island in 1913. He earned a Masters Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan and was employed by Union Carbide in Charleston, West Virginia in 1940 when he received a draft notice for WWII. Walter's mother, Adele, was born in Brooklyn in 1912, and she and Walter, Sr. married in 1939. Adele was an artist and an accomplished potter. Several of her pieces were displayed at Quayside Gallery in Pensacola. She attended Pratt University of Art in Brooklyn, and graduated 2nd in her class at Pensacola Junior College. When the Eisele, Srs. retired, they moved to Lima, Ohio, to be near their daughter, Christel. Adele passed away on January 7, 2001, and Walter followed 24 days later, on January 31st. Their marker at St Matthew Cemetery in Lima reads in part:

**PARENTS OF
CHRISTEL – WALTER – CAROLE**

Walter was born on April 17, 1942, in Charleston, West Virginia. Later the family moved to Terre Haute, Indiana, when his father began working for Pfizer. Walter played the violin in the school orchestra in Terre Haute at age 10. They moved to Pensacola in 1952 when Walter, Sr., started a job at the Monsanto Chemstrand

Chemical plant, and Walter entered 5th grade at Annie E. McMillan Elementary School. From September 1954 to May 1957, Walter was an honor student at A.V. Clubbs Junior High School. He was awarded Scouting's highest honor, the Eagle Badge in a ceremony in February 1956.

Walter attended Pensacola High School where he was an honor student and graduated in 1960. During this time, he also managed the Stamp Coin Shop on West Garden Street.

He graduated from Emory University in Atlanta in 1964, and from Pensacola Junior College in 1966, finally transferring to Florida State University, graduating in 1971 with a degree in Economics, Finance and Accounting.

In our 2010 50th Reunion booklet, Walter listed all the companies he had represented as Chief Financial Officer: Thomas Edison and Henry Ford Winter Estates, Fort Myers, FL; YMCA, Venice, FL; Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota, FL; Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA. Faculty and financial administrator of: New York University, New York, NY; City of New York, NY; Boston University, Boston, MA; Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL.

When his health began to fade, Walter moved to Lima, Ohio, to be close to his sister, Christel. He passed away there on January 31st and will join his parents at St Matthews Cemetery there in Lima.