



# **J Ernest Threlkeld**

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**J** Ernest Threlkeld  
J Ernest Threlkeld Jr. of Palm Coast, FL was born on February 2, 1938 in Madisonville, Kentucky to the late J Ernest Sr. and Frances Threlkeld nee Smith. He passed away on October 7, 2012 at his residence in Palm Coast, FL at the age of 74 years.

He graduated from the University of Louisville with a BME Degree, and was a teacher of instrumental music. He taught in the Eminence Independent Schools, Shelbyville Independent Schools, Shelby County Schools, and Jefferson County Schools, all in Kentucky. Ernest was a jazz musician, a car enthusiast, and a retired boat racer. He was the former owner of the Cross Keys Marine in Shelbyville, KY.

He is survived by his son, Miles C. Threlkeld of Newport, KY, brother, James Threlkeld of Bethesda, MD, and partner, Mary Lee of Palm Coast, FL.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Ernest to the Flagler County Art League, P.O. Box 352772, Palm Coast, FL 32164. Plans for a Life Celebration to be held in Kentucky are pending.

All arrangements are under the care of Heritage Cremation, Ormond Beach, FL.



## Tribute Wall

**J Ernest Threlkeld**

AD

**Anita Dale Dane** posted:

If it had not been for Ernie and Susie Saunders, I would not be enjoying the life I have now. I loved orchestra and jazz band so much that I made it my life's work. I remember how I would beg to follow them around all day rather than go to class! Of course they couldn't take me with them but I vowed that I would teach music so I could do what they did. I was so blessed to have had Ernie and Susie in my life. They really were my second parents and I owe my love of teaching music to young people for them. Now you can play in the heavenly jazz band, Ernie! God bless you "Bear". Love, Anita

October 26 at 3:05 AM

MG

**Michael J Gwaltney** posted:

I knew Ernie from back in the sixties when I was on the Johnson Factory Racing Team. Ernie was seriously injured testing his Switzer Wing race boat powered by Johnsons. He was a great friend for many years with interesting stories. I was fortunate to visit him in Simpsonville for several years before he moved to Palm Coast. My best regards to his family and friends for our loss.

October 14 at 6:02 PM

JL

**John Lanning** posted:

All of us who are associated with the Derby City Corvair Club in Louisville were saddened to hear about Ernie's passing. Ernie was a good friend and he taught us all a lot about our cars. The summer picnics in Simpsonville at the family homestead were always fun. Ernie was such a giving person. His passing leaves a void in our lives. He will be remembered for years to come. Mary we are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our prayers.

October 14 at 11:53 AM

BC

**Byron Cutshaw** posted:

Ernie, your passing hurt's as much as my own Father's death. I thank you for all you did for me and all that you taught me. As special as you thought I was, you were just as special to everyone. All of your musical children are better off having known you. I love you like my father Ernie Threlkeld. God rest your soul. Byron Cutshaw

October 14 at 3:37 AM



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PG

**Pat Greer** posted:

It was such a delight to visit with Ernie and Mary Lee before they moved to Florida. They seemed like two creative spirits in sweet harmony. Jim and I are grateful for the cultural experiences Ernie provided for our three girls as they participated in the orchestra and community theatre. We treasure memories of his energy and zest for life.

October 13 at 3:56 AM

RH

**Robert Harris And Edith Harris** posted:

We have known Ernie as a Flagler Cty. car club member. He always would show up at every event and was such a "Kentucky Gentleman". I felt I was a close friend and will surely miss his kind manerism. It was a privilege to know him. RIP Ernie

October 12 at 11:55 AM

AS

**Ann Stewart** posted:

Ernie made such a difference in all our lives, mine, Leslie's, Doug's and Ted's, and all of Shelby County as well. There would be no Shelby County Community Theatre without him, and think what that has meant over the years, no community orchestra, no jazz band, no Carnival of Music. He brought world wide attention to this little town, and his students played music way above their years. I don't think the School Board ever appreciated him or his efforts. We have all lost a great friend. Our sympathy to all of you.

October 12 at 5:36 AM

BB

**Bev Brumagen** posted:

I have many fond memories of the Threlkeld family over the years and send my condolences and prayers to all the family.

October 12 at 3:10 AM



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AR

**Anne (Newton) Raisor** posted:

I am forever thankful for the day I walked into the orchestra room when the schools merged. My mother (Helen Tipton Newton) & her brothers & sisters had often talked fondly about a man they called "POOCH" growing up in Simpsonville, so I moved from band because I wanted to widen my music knowledge. You influenced my life very much more than I thank you ever knew, with friends, memories of Ball State, & the appreciation of music I got just from your energy conducting. I & my mother truly are in sorrow with your passing. Myles, my prayers are with you.

October 11 at 5:18 PM

Jl

**Jennifer Ingels** posted:

Ernie was a trooper. I did not know him as well as I know you. But I was really impressed with him in our Silver Sneakers class. He was a really nice guy and I am so sad for your loss Mary.

October 11 at 3:25 PM

BG

**Barry Gash** posted:

I have am thankful every day for the deep appreciation of music instilled in me by Mr. Threlkeld. He was such a positive influence in my life and so many other's. I share your sorrow in his passing.

October 11 at 1:38 PM

VJ

**Valorie Ryan James** posted:

Out of all my teachers at SHS, Mr Threlkeld was my favorite. He was the "cool" teacher and we all loved him. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time as I know he will be missed so much!

October 11 at 5:41 AM

TL

**Thomas Leonard** posted:

He was a great man. I will always remember him conducting the stage band and orchestra. You will be missed.

October 11 at 5:07 AM



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TP

**Tim & Annette Pearce** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Ernie will be greatly missed by all that crossed his path.

October 11 at 3:20 AM

SR

**Sandy And Jerry Roadcap** posted:

Mary, So sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. We have missed you both here in Todds Station, Simpsonville. Prayers for you all. I know he will be missed.

October 11 at 3:00 AM

SH

**Susan (Cook) Harman** posted:

I was in the band at Shelbyville High School when Ernie was the "conductor." I thought so much of him - he always treated us like people, not dummies like some of the teachers did. He was tough, but he was good to us too. Ernie enjoyed life to the fullest and he will be sadly missed. My condolences to his friends and family.

October 10 at 5:05 AM



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