Sir Knight Ernie and Lady Melissa, reside in Kenosha. They have two married daughters Sierra (Chase) and Savannah (Brock). Both daughters live out of state. Sierra and Chase provided them with their first grandson, Rylan, in May 2023. Savannah and Brock provided them with a granddaughter, Tatum, in September 2023.

Ernie has been a Knight for 25+ years. He is the current State Treasurer. He has previously served as the State Warden (2023-24), State Program Director (2022-24), State Youth Athletic Coordinator 2021-22 and District Deputy #72 which covers Racine County (2023-24). While living in Kansas Ernie was a District Deputy (14) and Grand Knight for Immaculate Conception Council #12437 (Louisburg, KS). He was recently the past Deputy Grand Knight for Council #973 in Kenosha. He also held officer positions at St Leonard Council #12641 in Heath, Ohio. Ernie and Melissa are members of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Kenosha.

Ernie and Melissa relocated to Wisconsin for his career. Ernie is currently a Client Service Director for IQVIA. IQVIA is the premier provider of healthcare data for pharmaceutical, financial and government organizations.

Ernie is also retired from the Army having served 22 years. During his military career he attained the rank of Major. In 2008-09 he was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. While there he was assigned as the Director of Information Management for Victory Base Complex. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his war time service.

Ernie & Melissa enjoy camping, downhill skiing and spending time with family and friends.