



Barbara E. Copeland

June 6, 1935 - June 7, 2020

Barbara E. “Barb” Copeland, 85, of rural Wapakoneta, died 3:25 a.m., Sun. June 7, 2020, at The Gardens of Wapakoneta. She was born June 6, 1935, in Van Wert Co., the daughter of Roy Henry & Helen Mae (Ladd) Wreede, who preceded her in death. On June 12, 1955, she married Curtis E. Copeland, and he survives.

Other survivors include,

a daughter, Darla (David) Leffert, Indianapolis, IN,

2 grandsons, Joshua (Brittany) Leffert, Leesburg, VA,

John Leffert, Newburgh, IN,

a brother, William “Bill” (Pam) Wreede, Rushsylvania, OH,

a sister-in-law, Patricia Bitters, Wapakoneta.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by 2 brothers & spouses,

Edison (Nancy) Wreede, and Lloyd Ray (Cathy) Wreede.

Barb worked at Westinghouse Corp., Lima for 3 years. She then worked 27 ½ years at Duff Truck Lines, Lima, retiring as supervisor of data processing. She later served as court bailiff of the Auglaize Co. Common Pleas Court for 10 years. Barb was also secretary for the Public Employees Retirement System of Auglaize Co. She was a member of St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Wapakoneta. She was a 1953 graduate of Waynesfield – Goshen High School, and also a member of the Child Conservation League and

Wapakoneta Civic League. Barb grew up on the family farm where she learned to garden and can fruits and vegetables. She was well known for her baking, and was “Cookie Grandma” to her grandsons. She was also an excellent seamstress. Barb was “always on the go” and enjoyed spending time with her family. Some of her most cherished moments were spending a week in the summers with each grandson when they were young boys.

With consideration of the current health guidelines, a funeral service will be 10:30 a.m., Fri. June 12, 2020, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, with Pastor Doug Pretorius officiating. Burial is to follow in the Walnut Hill Cemetery, near New Hampshire, OH. The family will receive family & friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., Thurs. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, or the Leland Stroh Scholarship Fund through the Wapakoneta Masonic Lodge. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com. The funeral service will be live streamed on the Eley Funeral Home Facebook page.

Cemetery Details

Walnut Hill Cemetery

St. Rt. 385
New Hampshire, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Ave.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
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Visitation

JUN 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eley Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Barbara E. Copeland*



Eley Funeral Home & Crematory - June 12, 2020 at 10:27 AM

DJ

“ *We've been friends many years and have shared many memories. I shall miss going to Guiding Mothers with you, playing cards (like we used to) , and just chatting on the phone the way good friends do. I shall always carry you in my heart. Hugs to Curtis, Darla and the boys whom you have loved dearly. We will always miss you but know you are in a pain free place at last. Diane J*

Dianna Johnson - June 12, 2020 at 08:55 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



June 11, 2020 at 10:29 AM

PM

“ Phillip and Margaret purchased the Pink Tribute S
pray for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.



Phillip and Margaret - June 11, 2020 at 07:19 AM

YG

“ Your friends at AFCO Performance Group
purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for
the family of Barbara E. Copeland.



Your friends at AFCO Performance Group - June 10, 2020 at
07:15 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the
family of Barbara E. Copeland.



June 10, 2020 at 02:08 PM

PH

“ The staff of Putnam County Hospice would like to extend our
deepest sympathy for your loss. We will keep Barbara and all of her
family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.

Putnam County Hospice - June 10, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



June 09, 2020 at 08:35 PM



“ *Amy Bartosz, Lisa Brandau and Patty KHAMIS purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



Amy Bartosz, Lisa Brandau and Patty KHAMIS - June 09, 2020 at 10:04 AM



“ *Brent, Callie, Stacia, Paul, Kaid, Luke and Evan purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



Brent, Callie, Stacia, Paul, Kaid, Luke and Evan - June 09, 2020 at 08:42 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



June 09, 2020 at 08:05 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



June 09, 2020 at 07:33 AM



“ *Aunt Barb I remember all the Christmas that we had at ur house. U made such good food. April, Darla & I when we were young always played up in Darlas room. The 3 oldest girls of the family we always were together at ur house. As we've grown older we all went separate ways. I also remember when dad died U gave each of us these little cards with different prayers on them to help get through the loss of our father. My memory isn't real great these days to name off to many memories but they do pop up at certain times and other people help me to remember. I will miss u Aunt Barb I love you. Give dad a hug and kiss from me please. RIH 🙏*

Elizabeth (Wreede) Baker - June 08, 2020 at 10:41 PM



“ *A time sticks in my head, Dad had gotten us kids and taken us to Aunt Barbra and uncle Curtis. We all were making popcorn balls and coloring the different colors. I will miss you Aunt Barbra. So sorry Uncle Curtis and Darla and family. She was one of the best.*



Carla Wreede - June 08, 2020 at 09:40 PM

FF

“ *From the Edison and Nancy Wreede Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Barbara E. Copeland.*



From the Edison and Nancy Wreede Family - June 08, 2020 at 12:23 PM

FP

“ *Barb was a great Bailiff, employee, co-worker and friend. Above all else, Barb was always graceful in a job where she was great dealing with people who were undergoing stressful moments in life. She was kind and caring, and those qualities shown through. A real class act... but not an act.... The real deal. We had really interesting conversations of her growing up on the farm and her brothers. I grew up knowing Ray and Bill and Bill's family. She loved her family. So sorry for your loss, Curt and Darla and family. She was always so proud of her family and her precious grandsons. I hope your memories help you through these times.*

Frederick Pepple - June 07, 2020 at 10:39 PM