



Brooks Dean Knoch

July 5, 1927 - December 9, 2015

Brooks Dean Knoch, 88, of Wapakoneta, passed away at 10:47 a.m, Wed. Dec. 9, 2015, at the Van Wert Area Inpatient Hospice Center following an extended illness. He was born July 5, 1927, to Clay & Carrie (Morris) Knoch, who preceded him in death. On June 5, 1953, he married Elizabeth “Jeanette” Shaner, who survives in Wapakoneta.

Other survivors include,
4 children, Diane L. (Keith) Fahncke, Wapakoneta,
Lynette R. (Pat) Harter, Lima,
Karla J. (Steve) Jenkins, Waynesfield,
Kelly D. (Doug) Smith, Prospect, OH,
10 grandchildren,
5 step grandchildren,
15 great grandchildren,
8 step great grandchildren,
5 brothers, Clay Knoch, Jr.
Ted (Jeannie) Knoch,
Rex (Sharon) Knoch,
Tom (Barb) Knoch,
Dick Knoch,
2 sisters, Georgia “Short” Lee,
Lucille (Joe) Bell,

He was preceded in death by a sister, Glenna Horman, and 3 brothers, Morris, Allan Wayne, & Bill Knoch.

Brooks was drafted to the military but was rejected because of health issues. He was employed at Airstream in Jackson Center for several years and retired from the Ohio Carpenters Union Local #372 in 1992. He received his 50-year pin from Local #372. His passion in life was his horses. He was a 30 year member of the Western Ohio Colt Racing Association (WOCRA). Whether it be raising colts and training yearlings on the farm on Middle Pike Road or traveling to the nearby county fairs racing summer after summer, he truly enjoyed filling his spare time with horses close by.

Funeral Services will be 11:00 a.m., Sat. Dec. 12, 2015, at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral and Cremation Services, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, Pastor David Gordon officiating. The family will receive friends from 9-11 a.m., Sat. at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the Van Wert Inpatient Hospice Center, 1159 Westwood Dr., Van Wert, OH 45891.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **12.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
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Tribute Wall

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

God Bless.

Ray and Debbie Grover

Ray and Debbie Grover - December 13, 2015 at 08:07 PM

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“ *Pat and Lynette,*

We are so sorry about the loss of your father. We are out of town and are unable to come to the funeral,we are so sorry. Will keep you in our thoughts and prayers .

Blessings,

Mel and Jean Miller

Jean Miller - December 11, 2015 at 05:38 PM