



## Bruce Norman Ruedebusch

August 18, 1957 - September 20, 2015

Bruce Norman Ruedebusch, 58, of Wapakoneta, died Sun. morning, Sept. 20, 2015, at his home following a sudden illness. He was born Aug. 18, 1957, in Lima, the son of the late Norman & Althea (Slattery) Ruedebusch.

Survivors include,

2 children, Madison (Kolin) Koehl, Cincinnati, OH,  
Wesley Bruce Ruedebusch, Celina, OH,  
his sister, Susan (Tim) McCarty, Dublin, OH,  
nephews, Benjamin, Christopher, Michael McCarty,  
his life partner, Tasha Wells, and her children,  
Heather, Chris, & Kelly Wells.

Bruce worked over 30 years as a driver with G.A. Wintzer & Son Co., Wapakoneta. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, and the Sons of the American Legion, Post #330, both of Wapakoneta. Bruce was a 1975 graduate of Wapakoneta Senior High School, and a graduate of the Lima Technical College. He enjoyed rooting for his favorite NASCAR drivers, Dale Earnhardt and Dale Earnhardt Jr., and was a loyal fan of Ohio State Football. Bruce always put others before himself, and was happiest when he was able to lend a helping hand to his friends and family.

Funeral services will be 12 p.m., Sat. Sept. 26, 2015, at First United Methodist Church, Wapakoneta, with Rev. Dr. Kimberly Sieberling officiating. Burial is to

follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 3-8 p.m., Fri. at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, and 1 hr. prior to the funeral Sat. at the church. Memorial contributions may be directed to a fund established for Wesley's education through Minster State Bank.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road  
Wapakoneta, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
1102 Lincoln Hwy  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
(419) 738-7676  
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com/>

## Visitation

SEP **26**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church  
Glynwood Road  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

## Service

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SEP **26.** 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church  
Glynwood Road  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bruce Norman Ruedebusch.*



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September 25, 2015 at 09:53 AM



“ *Want to send our condolences, he will be sadly missed coming into our plant...*

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**Bob Setters.. (Quaker Chemical)** - September 24, 2015 at 07:17 AM



“ *Was totally shocked to hear of Bruce's passing .. having attended our our 40th class reunion last month is now an even more cherished memory as i was able to share some laughs with Bruce before he left this life. Kinda forgot how cool a person and high school classmate he was.. my heartfelt best wishes go out to his family and close friends as they move forward without him in their lives. God bless you... Rest in peace, Rudy.*

*Steve Lautzenheiser*

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**Steve Lautzenheiser** - September 23, 2015 at 10:41 PM

FL

“ *Fliehman Family (Travis, Kelly & Lexi) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Bruce Norman Ruedebusch.*



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**Fliehman Family (Travis, Kelly & Lexi)** - September 23, 2015 at 10:07 PM

 Tom Braddock

“ *Bruce would give the shirt off his back for a friend if they needed it. He was always eager to help out and give his expertise. He also had a knack for having the exact tool or part to help get a job done put away in labeled storage in the garage.*

*Thanks for being such a great neighbor and friend. You will be missed.*

*Tom Braddock*

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**Tom Braddock** - September 23, 2015 at 07:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bruce Norman Ruedebusch.*



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September 23, 2015 at 01:56 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bruce Norman Ruedebusch.*



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September 22, 2015 at 09:42 PM



“ *On behalf of the Rhodes State College community, please accept our condolences. We celebrate the life of each graduate of Lima Technical College and Rhodes State College. May you find peace in your hearts as you remember all the wonderful times you had together.*

*Carole Enneking, Alumni Relations Coordinator*

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**Carole Enneking** - September 22, 2015 at 04:09 PM



“ *Dear Wes,  
We are so deeply saddened by the passing of your dad, Bruce. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We always enjoyed talking to your dad at AMFY swim meets. Please hold his memories close and never forget that good that he added to the world. He was so very proud of you and talked about you all the time.*

*God Bless.*

*Steve, Kelly, and Caleb Keck*

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**Kelly Keck** - September 22, 2015 at 01:39 PM

JO

“Gone much too soon ... My blessings and prayers go out to his family, especially my WHS classmate and Bruce's sister Susan. ~  
*Jamie Bailey Oliver*

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**Jamie Oliver** - September 22, 2015 at 11:18 AM

KW

“Bruce was a class mate of mine. We just had our 40th class reunion and got to have a nice visit. We shared many good memories. So I've had the honor of knowing Bruce for many years. He was always a good guy. I was so shocked to hear the news of his passing. He will truly be missed. You have our deepest sympathy.

*Kathy and Randy Wallace*

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**Kathy Wallace** - September 22, 2015 at 07:37 AM

JH

“ Oh Sue & family - and Tasha, Wes and Madison - Our hearts are so shocked and saddened at Bruce's passing. There are simply no words to ease the pain, no understanding of his sudden death, no reason that we can wrap our heads around. And so we pray ... and wait ... for God's strength and peace to enter your hearts and minds. We beg for HIS grace to be very real in your thoughts and feelings, in your conversations and experiences during this almost unbearable journey. In the numbness and grief of this week, may you find some comfort in the support of family and friends around you. Soak in the love. Savor the shared memories. Honor Bruce as best you can in this way.

*Our special cousin, Bruce, seemed to have a 'let's take life as it comes' attitude - embracing each day with laughter and a positive attitude, a wonderful blending of his parents' personalities. Oh how we will treasure Bruce in our hearts always. And so we cry with you, we grieve with you and for you, and we'll hold you close in prayer, especially during this week of tragic grieving.*

*With utmost love,*

*Jeannie & Mark Hellmann*

*and children Katie, Emma, Laura, Kurt & Kyle*

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**Jeannie Hellmann** - September 21, 2015 at 08:19 PM

SD

*I was shocked and saddened to hear about the passing of Bruce. He was a classmate of mine. He was always happy and smiling and a great friend. My sincere sympathy to his family during this difficult time. R.I.P. Bruce Sheryl Dishman*

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**Sheryl Dishman** - September 22, 2015 at 10:18 AM

JE

*Madison, Wes, Tasha, and Sue,  
You have our deepest condolences in the loss of your father, partner,  
and brother. Know that you will be held close in prayer as you grieve  
his loss. With Sincere Sympathy,  
Jim and Diane Elshire*

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**Jim and Diane Elshire** - September 22, 2015 at 10:41 PM

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*Susan,  
Bruce was a really nice guy. I'm thinking of you and so very sorry for  
your loss.  
Sincerely,  
Terrie (Williams) Dillon*

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**Terrie Dillon** - September 23, 2015 at 04:19 PM