



Charles Richard Brading

February 19, 1935 - September 30, 2016

Charles Richard Brading, 81, of Wapakoneta died 2:35 p.m., Fri. Sept. 30, 2016, at Celina Manor. He was the only child of Richard and Florence Schemmel Brading, born February 19, 1935. He was an veteran of the United States Army. Charlie is survived by his wife Sandra (Berry) Brading whom he married on June 28, 1963 and their three children and seven grandchildren: William (Maria) Brading, Sarah (Derek Bauer) and Amanda (Jason Lockwood); and Addison and Chloe Lockwood, Charlie, Henry and Madeline Bauer and Karson and Greyson Brading.

A 1953 graduate of Blume High School in Wapakoneta, Charlie was a graduate of Ohio Northern University School of Pharmacy class of 1957. After graduation Charlie went to work for his father at Rhine and Brading Pharmacy in Wapakoneta and purchased the store from him in 1971. Through the years he was active in the Northwest Ohio Pharmaceutical Association, serving as President in 1969. He was a member of the Ohio State Pharmaceutical Association, National Association of Retail Druggists, National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and American Association of Consultant Pharmacists. In 1976 he was appointed to the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy by Governor Rhodes and served through 1984; serving as President 1979-80. For his work in the profession of Pharmacy he received the Beal Award, The Ohio Retailer of the Year Award in 1978, and the Bowl of Hygeia Award 1973. In 1993 he was recognized as a Distinguished Alumni of Ohio Northern University, and in

2008 received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the School of Pharmacy at that institution.

He was proud to be a lifelong resident of Wapakoneta and spent much of his working life promoting and serving his community. In 1969 he served as the General Chairman of the Neil Armstrong Homecoming Committee. He was a Director of Bank One, member of the Wapakoneta Rotary Club (President 1971) and a Paul Harris Fellow, member of the Greenlawn Cemetery Association, serving as President for several years; member of the Board of Directors of the Wapakoneta Industrial Development Corporation, past President of The Wapakoneta Country Club, and former member of the Board of Directors of the Wapakoneta Area Chamber of Commerce. He was a member of Hamer Lodge 167 Free and Accepted Masons, a member of the Scottish Rite Valley of Dayton, Antioch Shrine, Eagles Lodge Aerie 691 and the former Elks Lodge Chapter 1170. He enjoyed being the “Voice” of the Wapakoneta Redskins – announcing home football and basketball games for over forty years. He was active in city government serving on the Wapakoneta City Council from 1964-66, President of City Council from 1974-75 and 1986-1988, and Mayor from 1988 – 1991 when he was appointed to the Ohio House of Representatives. He would represent the people of the 86th District until 2000 when term limits forced his retirement. He served as a Delegate and Alternate for two national Republican Conventions. For the remainder of his career he served as the Legislative Liaison for the Ohio School Facilities Commission from 2001 to 2009.

Charlie was a lifelong member of First English Lutheran Church, and served on the Church Council. In 2000 he was named Wapakoneta Citizen of the Year by the Wapakoneta Area Chamber of Commerce and had been the first recipient of the Wapakoneta Area Jaycees Distinguished Service Award in 1965. He was named to Wapakoneta High School’s Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame in 2004.

Charlie was an avid fan of the Cincinnati Reds and attended their first "Dream Week" in 1986, and had season tickets for many years. He was a man of many interests and truly embraced life with all its challenges and opportunities. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Wed. Oct. 5, 2016, at First English Lutheran Church, 107 W. Mechanic St., Wapakoneta, with Pastor Neil Brady officiating. Private family committal will be in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., Tues. at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, 1102 Lincoln Ave., (St. Rt. 501), Wapakoneta, and 1 hr. prior to the service, Wed. at the church.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the First English Lutheran Church, Ohio Northern School of Pharmacy and The Wapakoneta Community Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road
Wapakoneta, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

OCT 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

OCT 5. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

First English Lutheran
107 West Mechanic Street
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Service

OCT 5. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Charlie was a friend and mentor to me early in my career as a pharmacist. He was a pillar of the community and loved by all. I will never forget all he has done for me. He will be missed. Prayers to Sandy and their family.

-Tom Wiley

Thomas Wiley - October 28, 2016 at 06:03 AM

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“ Dear Sandy, I saw Charlie's obituary in our Columbus paper. What a surprise. We are so sorry. We send our condolences and hugs. Know we are thinking of you and your family. Fondly, Pete and Sandra Ferguson

james ferguson - October 11, 2016 at 07:33 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with Charlie's family. I enjoyed working with him in his years in state government. A class act and all-round good guy! Wish we had more folks like him in public service and in the world in general. Charlie's passing is a loss to the community and he will be missed!

Sincerely,

Angela E. Van Fossen

Ohio Contractors Association

Columbus

Angela E. Van Fossen - October 11, 2016 at 10:23 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Richard Brading.*



October 02, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ *We send our prayers and sympathy to Sandy and the family. I enjoyed working with Charley for 15 years.*

God Bless

Russ and Nancy McGinnis

Russ and Nancy McGinnis - October 02, 2016 at 04:05 PM