



## Chet Merkle

March 16, 1934 - November 11, 2014

Chet Merkle, 80, of Wapakoneta, died 8:00 a.m., Tues. Nov. 11, 2014, at Wapakoneta Manor. He was born March 16, 1934, the son of Carl & Hazel (DeLong) Merkle, who preceded him in death. On Feb. 11, 1956, he married Sharlene Presar, and she survives. Other survivors include, 4 children, Craig Merkle, Lake Tahoe, CA, Steve (Lisa) Merkle, London, OH, Kay (Dave) Williams, Wapakoneta, Jeff (Donna) Merkle, Herndon, VA; 4 grandchildren, Aly Williams, Aubrey Williams, Shannon Merkle, & Kyle Merkle; a sister, Janis Briem, Wapakoneta. He was preceded in death by sisters & brothers-in-law, Mary (Bob) Weitz, Wilma (Ed) Weitz, & Russ Briem. Chet was a farmer and later worked as a sales representative with several agricultural companies. A 1952 graduate of Blume High School, he served with the U.S. Army in Germany. His memberships included the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445, the American Legion, Post #330, the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie #691, and the Buckeye Farm Antiques, all of Wapakoneta. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, telling a good story. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m., Fri. Nov. 14, 2014, at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Pastor Kimberly Pope-Seiberling officiating. Burial of the cremated remains will follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W., Post 8445. The family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m., Thurs. and from 9:30 a.m. until time of service, Fri. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sorry to hear about your father, my prayers are with your family* ”

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