



## Dale E. Carlson

October 6, 1938 - July 8, 2023

Dale Edward “Pinky” Carlson, 84, of Wapakoneta, died 6:07 a.m., Sat. July 8, 2023, at St. Rita’s Medical Center, Lima, with his family at his side. He was born Oct. 5, 1938, in Monmouth, IL, the son of the late Gunnar C. and Vivian N. (Wickline) Carlson. On April 12, 1966, he married Carroll A. Collier, and she preceded him in death on May 17, 1994. Then on June 8, 1995, he married Helen I. Smart, and she survives.

Other survivors include,

step-children, Peggy Deal, Spencerville, OH,

Patricia (Lynne) Tingler, Wapakoneta,

Frank Ickes, TN;

17 step-grandchildren, 20 step-great grandchildren,

and 5 step-great great grandchildren;

sisters, Wanda (Frank-dec) Shaw, Waynesfield, OH,

Linda (Bill-dec) Hurles, Fernley, NV,

Mary (Jerry-dec) Bowersock, Wapakoneta;

numerous nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by a step-son, Richard Carlson, and a sister and spouse, Donna (Bob) Burden.

Pinky retired from Peterson Construction Co., Wapakoneta, as a carpenter.

He had also worked at Heartland of Indian Lake in the maintenance

department. He was a 1956 graduate of Blume High School, and served in the

Ohio National Guard. Pinky was a 50-year member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie #691, and a member of the Amvets Post #333, both of Wapakoneta. He enjoyed pitching horseshoes, throwing darts, fishing, playing on bowling machines, and riding his Harley Davidson.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Fri. July 14, 2023, at the Eley Funeral Home and Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. Burial is to follow in the Resthaven Memory Gardens, near Moulton, OH, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445. The family will receive friends 4-8 p.m., Thurs. July 13, and 1 hour prior to the service, Fri. at the funeral home. An Eagles memorial service will be 7:30 p.m., Thurs. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the family.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Memory Gardens

C.R. 33A  
St. Marys, OH 45885

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **13.** 4:00 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

JUL **14.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ HELEN, AND FAMILY,  
MAY OUR LORD BE WITH YOU IN THIS TIME OF GREAT  
SORROW. I ALWAYS LOOKED FORWAED TO THE CHRISTMAS  
CARDS FROM YOU AND DALE. HE WAS A GREAT JOY. LOVE  
TO YOU AND KNOW I SHARE YOUR LOSS.  
RAE ROSTORFER

Rae Rostorfer - July 11, 2023 at 11:20 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Dale E. Carlson.



July 10, 2023 at 06:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dale E. Carlson.

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