



David J. "Dave" Huelskamp

January 14, 1950 - September 21, 2024

David J. "Dave" Huelskamp, 74, of rural Wapakoneta, devoted father and grandfather, left us on September 21, 2024. David was a very hard working, knowledgeable farmer that cared greatly for his livestock and agriculture. Born on January 14, 1950, Dave would wake up early every morning ready for a full day's work on the farm, and enjoyed every minute of it.

A happily married couple for 54 years, he leaves his wife Edie (Hemmert), and their 3 daughters; Tracy (Jay) Henschen, Shelly Fisher, and Lisa (Dean) Pitts, along with their 3 sons; Chad (Tonya) Huelskamp, Joe (Nicole) Huelskamp, and Matt (Carrie) Huelskamp. Something that Dave also cherished were his 20 grandchildren; Carter (Caileigh) Huelskamp; Macey (Darrin) Seger; Riley (Olivia) Huelskamp; Hayden, Madison, Morgan, Ross, Logan Henschen; Claire and Julia Fisher; Taylor and Tucker Huelskamp; Delana, Eli, and Audrey Pitts; Jayden and Madelynn Hefner; Harper, Maddox, and Dawson Huelskamp; and 1 great grandchild, Linley Huelskamp. Dave's siblings, Jim (Rhonda) Huelskamp, Betty Huelskamp, Dennis (Ann) Huelskamp, Kathy (Fred) Sextro, Lois (Norm) Howell, and Jane (Jon) Uppenkamp. He was preceded in death by his parents, Victor and Rosella (Vehorn) Huelskamp; a grandson, Jaxson Huelskamp; and siblings, Margie (Gerald) Keifer and Kenny Huelskamp.

A dairy farmer for 50 years, you could always see Dave outside working in the fields, many times his children and grandchildren would be working alongside him as he proudly taught them how to be farmers, a craft he did so well and

loved so dearly, combining in the fields, happily up to the day prior to his passing. Dave found great joy watching his children and grandchildren at sporting events or 4-H shows, you would often see Dave and Edie in the stands or sidelines being supportive and cheering them on. One of the several things that will be greatly missed will be his ever present smile and willingness to take time to talk and listen at every opportunity. A 1969 graduate of Botkins High School, Dave was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Botkins, and the Auglaize County Farm Bureau.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Thurs. Sept. 26, 2024, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Botkins, Fr. Michael Willig officiating. Burial will follow in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Botkins. The family will receive friends from 2-8 p.m., Wed. and 9-10 a.m. Thurs. at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. In lieu of flowers and in remembrance of David, the family is requesting contributions for the establishment of the Botkins Education Foundation supporting agriculture education. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Cemetery Details

Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery

County Road 25A
Botkins, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **25.** 2:00 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.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Ave.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

Service

SEP **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
103 Walnut Street
Botkins, OH

Tribute Wall

YF

“ *Your Cargill Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



Your Cargill Family - September 25, 2024 at 10:38 AM

SF

“ *Steve and Lisa Farley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



Steve and Lisa Farley - September 24, 2024 at 03:17 PM

LF

“ *Steve and I send our thoughts and prayers to your whole family, Shelly. We are so so sorry for this great loss.*

Lisa Farley - September 24, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



September 23, 2024 at 09:49 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



September 23, 2024 at 05:57 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



September 23, 2024 at 02:08 PM



“ *Dustin, Josh, Caleb, Steph, Evan and Eli purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*



Dustin, Josh, Caleb, Steph, Evan and Eli - September 23, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *Dustin, Josh, Caleb, Steph, Evan and Eli planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.*

Dustin, Josh, Caleb, Steph, Evan and Eli - September 23, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.



September 23, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ Lynne P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.

Lynne P. - September 23, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.



September 23, 2024 at 10:54 AM



“ Tessa & Eric Maurer & Pat & Earl Lutz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J. "Dave" Huelskamp.

Tessa & Eric Maurer & Pat & Earl Lutz - September 23, 2024 at 10:54 AM