



## Delmar Eugene Merricle

April 5, 1949 - August 13, 2025

Delmar E. Merricle, age 76, passed away at 11:14 p.m., Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at the Wapakoneta Manor. He was born April 5, 1949, in Lima, Ohio, the son of the late Delmar L. and Dorothy (Doseck) Merricle. On June 5, 1971, he married Mary Jane Behm Miller and she preceded him in death on June 11, 2025.

Survivors include,

a daughter, Christine A. Miller, of Newport News, VA;

2 grandchildren, Brandon M. Egler, Hampton, VA,

Brianne N. Egler, Newport News, VA

a sister, Linda Merricle, Lima, OH;

several nieces and nephews including Norman (Sydney) Koenig, John Strayer,

Allen (LeeAnn) Merricle, Todd Merricle, Gina (Donnavee) Cox,

and Russell (Sarah) Patterson;

2 brothers-in-law, John and Dick Behm.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Fred (Diane) Merricle, and 2 sisters, Martha Strayer and Becky (Rick) Patterson.

Delmar retired from Plastipak, Jackson Center. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and a member of the St. Paul United Church of Christ,

Wapakoneta; Wapakoneta Eagles Aerie #691; and the Wapakoneta American Legion #330 He also served as a volunteer fireman with the Wapakoneta City

Fire Department. Delmar was a member of the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post 8445,

where he was Post Commander, 1976-1977, 1993-1195, 1996-1997, and 2014-2021. In 2018 while Post Commander, the Post was awarded "Outstanding Service Award", he was also the first Commander to lead the Post to "All-American" status. He enjoyed spending time at McDonalds with his buddies.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Saturday, August 23, 2025, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, with Chaplain Jim Fast officiating. Burial will follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post 8445. The family will receive friends 5-8:00 p.m., Friday, August 22nd, and 9:30 -10:30 a.m., Saturday, at the funeral home. Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road  
Wapakoneta, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 22.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
1102 Lincoln Hwy  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
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## Visitation

**AUG 23.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

SK

“ Scott, Sandra & Sierra Behm - Dylan Keil purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Delmar Eugene Merricle.



Scott, Sandra & Sierra Behm - Dylan Keil - August 21, 2025 at 09:33 AM

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“ Scott, Sandra & Sierra Behm - Dylan Keil planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Delmar Eugene Merricle.

Scott, Sandra & Sierra Behm - Dylan Keil - August 21, 2025 at 09:33 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Delmar Eugene Merricle.



August 19, 2025 at 03:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Delmar Eugene Merricle.

August 19, 2025 at 03:19 PM

CS

“ C. Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Delmar Eugene Merricle



C. Shepherd - August 18, 2025 at 09:39 AM

CS

Linda and family, so sorry for the loss of your precious brother. May your many memories keep him alive in your heart. RIH Delmar

C. Shepherd - August 18, 2025 at 09:42 AM

CF

deepest sympathy and prayer at this time of grief---Rick and Chris Foster

Chris Foster - August 22, 2025 at 12:42 PM

JS

To the Delmar Merricle Family  
It's not goodbye It's Until We Meet Again

Jim Sawmiller - August 23, 2025 at 04:03 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of Delmar E. Merricle, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten...  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Marine Veteran, Delmar E. Merricle, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - August 16, 2025 at 06:26 AM

CS

“ *Christine and family, My mother Julie and I were sad to hear of your father's passing and that of your mother a few months ago. My father, James Binkley (his mother was Marian Merricle), and your father were first cousins. May you feel the comfort of Christ who is our Peace during this difficult time.  
With heartfelt sympathy,  
Connie Schroer and Julie Binkley*

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**Connie Schroer** - August 15, 2025 at 07:24 PM