



Elaine R. Altstaetter

August 13, 1933 - March 17, 2023

Elaine R. Altstaetter, 89, of Wapakoneta, died Thursday afternoon, March 16, 2023, at her home. She was born August 13, 1933, in Kansas City, MO, the daughter of Lawrence H. & Ann W. (Rarick) Bowsher, who preceded her in death. On October 1, 1982, she married Dale W. Altstaetter, who preceded her in death on August 14, 2022.

Survivors include several cousins and many friends.

Elaine worked as an accountant. She was a 1951 graduate of St. Rose High School, Lima, and a member of St. Rose Catholic Church, both of Lima. She was a 1953 graduate of Northwest Business College, Lima, and studied accounting at the University of Dayton. Elaine was dedicated to service in the area. She served as chairman of the Christmas Tree Festival at the Allen County Museum for 45 years, including this past year, and was a member of the Allen County Historical Society. Elaine served as president of the Auglaize County Council on Aging, and treasurer of the Wapakoneta Woman's Club. She was accomplished at playing bridge, and was also a member of the Cridersville Historical Society, the Auglaize County Historical Society, the Wapakoneta Women's Civic League and the Celina Woman's Club. She was a member of the Grange, and the Independent Order of the Odd Fellow, Deep Cut Lodge #311, Spencerville, Ohio.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, March 24, 2023, 11:00 a.m., at St. Rose Catholic Church, Lima, with Fr. David Ross officiating. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m., Thursday, March 23, and 9-10 a.m., Friday, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. Burial is to follow in the Altstaetter Cemetery, near Cairo, Ohio. Memorials may be directed to the charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Cemetery Details

Altstaetter Cemetery

Hillville Rd.
Cairo, OH 45807

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 23. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Rose Catholic Church
523 North West Street
Lima, OH 45801

Tribute Wall

RP

“ *Deepest sympathy to Sister Elaine's Family and Friends from the I.O.O. F. Canfield Lodge #155. A life of service is a life well lived.*



ROGER PARSON - March 21, 2023 at 07:42 AM

MO

“ *We were renters of one of their farms in st johns.very special kind hearted faithful hardworking .They will always be remembered. Prayers for the family in your time of loss.*

Melinda (Singleton) Otto - March 21, 2023 at 07:40 AM

DM

“ *The family has our sincere sympathy. My husband and I traveled with Elaine and Dale on several Grange bus trips. She was an intelligent classy lady.*

Donna and Rich Mahoney - March 20, 2023 at 10:39 AM

RB

“ *Valley College Grange in Wayne County, Wooster Ohio expresses our deepest sympathy at death of a fellow Granger. Grangers are hard working people. Her obituary describes a good, busy. well lived life, and a lovely family and a Good and Faithful Servant. Ruth Bishop Secretary at Valley College Grange.*

Ruth Bishop - March 20, 2023 at 09:52 AM

EN

My Condolences to Elaine Altstaetter. Always enjoy working with her during Christmas tree festival. Also during her time at the Allen County Council on Aging. Rest in paradise Ella Napier

Ellaphine Napier - March 20, 2023 at 11:04 PM

DD

Elaine always had a smile and a warm word. She was a kind, gracious, friendly person at the bridge table, BUT she showed no mercy to her opponents! She was an excellent player -- one of those people you aspire to be. We will certainly miss her!

Dave and Peggy Dishop

David E. Dishop - March 21, 2023 at 08:29 AM

PF

Our Love and prayers go out to the family. A Wonderful Lady! We have been blessed walking down life's pathway with Our faithful Grange friend. She will be deeply missed!

Arden and Patricia Fitch and Olivesburg Grange members

Patricia and Arden Fitch - March 21, 2023 at 11:00 AM

PK

Elaine was a very special lady! Enjoyed working with her for the Christmas Tree Festival. Will miss you.

Phyllis Koch - March 22, 2023 at 12:13 PM