



Ellwood "Mac" McLean

December 9, 1913 - May 1, 2011

Ellwood Louis "Mac" McLean, 97, of Wapakoneta died 12:10 p.m., Sunday May 1, 2011, at his residence. The eldest of 3 siblings, he was born Dec. 9, 1913, in Mansfield, OH, the son of Russell Arthur and Leona (Boulogne) McLean, who preceded him in death. [His father Russell was known as "The Teddy Bear Man" who began buying and handing out teddy bears every Christmas, to children in the hospitals in Lima and St. Marys. McLean Teddy Bear Park, in Lima is named after him.] On March 20, 1936, Ellwood married Norma L. Long, and she died April 5, 1997. They had 2 sons, Philip and Larry. Philip preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 2009. During W. W. II, Ellwood worked for the U.S. Navy as a machinist at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii from 1942 until 1944. After the war, Ellwood worked in his father's filling station at the point of Pearl St. & West Auglaize Street, Wapakoneta. He worked at McLean's New Stand, Perry St., and later retired as a crew foreman for the West Ohio Gas Co., now known as Dominion East Ohio Gas. After retirement, he became a volunteer fireman for the City of Wapakoneta. He enjoyed trains his whole life, having a model train layout running through his two sons' bedrooms. Ellwood was preceded in death by his next younger brother, Russell V. McLean. Survivors include, A son, Larry (Sandra) McLean, Wapakoneta, 5 granddaughters, Laurel (Stephen) Burkholder, Columbus Grove, OH, Jolie (Jerry) Martin, Wapakoneta, Erin (Jonathan) Barrette, Lafayette, IN, Elise (Craig) Rice, Celina, OH, Christy McLean, Troy, OH, 18 great grandchildren, Hanne', Emma, Alton & Lillian Burkholder; Jaelyn, Janay,

Jessa, Josette, Jayah, Jenya, & Jalie Martin; Meredith, Emma, & Claire Barrette; Colton, Brayden, Liam, & Cale Rice, Ellwood's youngest brother, Quinton (Ruth) McLean, Walled Lake, MI. Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m., Thurs. May 5, 2011, at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, Pastor Steve Clayton officiating. Burial is to follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., Wed. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Celina Baptist Temple.

Tribute Wall

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“ We had planned to come to the Funeral Home this afternoon, but Ton was bit feeling well. We do send our love and prayers.

Mae, Tom and Vicky Cartmell - July 10, 2015 at 03:57 PM

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“ Larry and Family: My sympathy to all of you on the loss of your father. He certainly had a good, long life and I am sure you have many memories to relive over the months and years ahead. I always had a good and fun relationship with your father. Eternal rest grant unto him Lord.

Jim Harrison - July 10, 2015 at 03:57 PM

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“ Dear Larry and Family, May the Lord comfort and give you peace as you honor the memory of your father and lay his body to rest. With sympathy and prayer, Pastor Charles Warren, Ebenezer Mennonite Church, Bluffton, OH

Pastor Charles Warren - July 10, 2015 at 03:57 PM