



Elmer F. Neumeier

July 8, 1917 - May 14, 2012

Elmer Frederick Neumeier, 94, was welcomed by the Lord with “Come in my good and faithful servant” on May 14th, 2012 at 10:15pm. His wife and family were at his side as he departed. Elmer was born July 8, 1917, in Dayton, OH to Raymond Frederick and May (Caldwell) Neumeier who both died when he was young leaving him orphaned at age 5. He was raised by his grandparents, Andrew & Katherine (Fisher) Neumeier, of Wapakoneta. Armed with the responsibility to define his own path and built upon the family values passed down to him, Elmer entered the military during World War II. He served a 3yr term as seaman and machinist mate in the United States Navy, Seabees, 70th and 84th Battalion Units, serving tours in Algeria, Okinawa and Guam. He was awarded the Purple Heart. During his service term, he married Mary Louise Gehrlich January 10th, 1944, a lifelong friend and the love of his life. A “man of all trades” he then pursued a life of service to his family, church and community. His work history included Westinghouse, Gehrlich Brothers, Koneta Rubber Co., and the Wapakoneta City School system from which he retired. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Wapakoneta F.O.E., Knights of Columbus (K of C) and Holy Name Society. He held the position of Grand Knight during his service at the K of C. He received a 25 year service award as a member of the scouting community serving as an educator & leader for area youth. Elmer was a gifted card shark and accomplished fisherman, but he’d rather be known for his faith, patriotism and love of family. Elmer is survived by his wife,

Mary Louise; children Janice Daum, James (Elena), Rebecca (Tom) Mosler, Barbara (Tom dec.) Maloney, Bonita (Michael Flood), Teresa (Michael) Elsass, Richard, Alice (Emerson dec.) Altstaetter, Nancy (Edward) Gutman, Joseph (Kathy), Mary Kay (Daniel) Drexler, Philip, Frederick (Robin), Angela (Robert) Butler, Michael, Samuel (Mary), Matthew, Mark (Christina), Amy (Stuart) Meyers; 130 grandchildren (60 grand, 64 great and 6 great-great). He was preceded in death by an infant daughter Victoria and a great-great grandson Jayden. Mass of Christian Burial will be 1:00 p.m., Fri. May 18, 2012, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 107 W. Pearl St., Wapakoneta, Rev. Patrick Sloneker officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Wapakoneta, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. The family will receive friends 2-8 p.m., Thurs. May 17 and 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Fri. May 18, at the Long & Folk Chapel of Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, 13 S. Blackhoof St., Wapakoneta. The family asks that you consider donations in Elmer's name to St. Rita's Hospice or St. Joseph Catholic Church Renovation Fund.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ I am so sorry for you loss Kristen...I know too well you heart-break. I will keep you and your family in my prayers, especially your grandma, Mary Louise. With my deepest sympathy, Maureen, (Ms Maureen, St. Al's Ext-Day, BG)

Maureen Barcheski - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

DH

“ Joe, Kathy and your entire family, we were so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. He sounds like a man everyone would have been privileged to know. His obituary is very touching. Our condolences to all.

Dean and Kate Hartwig - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CR

“ I am very sorry to hear of your loss....our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. May God give you strength at this time.

Carolyn (Punky Brands) Radtke - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

GG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May you find comfort and peace in the Lord.

Gary & Ellie Gates - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

TG

“ Neumeier Family - Prayers for comfort for you in this difficult time but praise for our promise of an eternity together in heaven. God bless.

Tim and Jan Gillespie - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

LP

“ Alice and family - I'm at Vivian's helping with her Church's Yard Sale this weekend. I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. I'm sorry we could not attend the service. Please know that I am thinking of you and your family. Love, Luemma

Luemma Peck - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

TN

“ wesie and family, we send our love and prayers to you all at elmer's passing. The fond memories of your families growing up together and the fun times at fort amanda will always be cherished . we are sure there is a game of euchre going on in heaven...be at peace and know God's love...

the delphos neumeier's - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

FJ

“ Bonnie please know my heart, thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Many huges fannij

Fanni Lloyd Johnson - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

FD

“ It seems like just yesterday visiting and playing at his house. He took us all in just like family.

Fred Deschler - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

FC

“ Bec & Tom, and to the whole Neumeier Family, Please accept my sincerest sympathy on Elmer's death. You are in my prayers at this time. May perpetual light shine upon him, and may he rest in peace.
Fr. David

Fr. David A. Hoying, C.P.P.S. - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

RA

“ Dear Neumeier Family, May the love of God surround you during this time of sorrow. You're in our thoughts and prayers. With Deepest Sympathy

Ron & Linda Altstaetter - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

MJ

“ May God bless and comfort the entire family at this time of loss. Sincerely, Meta Jackson

Meta Jackson - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CP

“ Phil, you and your entire family are in our prayers. These times are never easy, only prayer and God can get us through trying times such as these.

Curt and Janet Pribble - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CH

“ We offer you our sympathy for your loss but what a beautiful life he lived, family, faith and honest work. His legacy is obvious in the beautiful family he raised. He is now at peace in heaven with Our Lord. Cherish your many memories and know you all were very blessed to be his family.

Carolyn & Mike Harshbarger - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

DH

“ Keeping your family in prayer this week.

Dan Hepp - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CG

“ *My sincere condolences to Fred ,Robin and the whole Neumeier family.*

Chris Gordon - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

GL

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep the whole family in my thoughts and prayers, may god bless you all.*

Glenna (Waldroop) Limbert - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

DP

“ *My thoughts and prayers are going out to all of the family. Your father was a wonderful man who lived his life to its fullest!*

Diane Popp - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

LR

“ *Nancy & family Sorry for your lose my prayers are with you*

Linda Rump - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

RG

“ *We would like to express our condolences to the entire Family and to offer our assistance in a personal or professional manner. I worked with Elmer many years ago at Koneta Rubber. He touched me with the size of his family and all the stories he had about them all! Cordially, R. Wayne Gilroy-CES & Cathy Ogden*

R. Wayne Gilroy-CES - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

KE

“ *Alice, Kristen, Nancy & family: My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.*

Kristi Esser - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CK

“ Mark, Neen, Austin, & Luke- You are in our thoughts and prayers - and as always - let us know how we can help. He was a good man and we'll remember that twinkle in his eye and his always happy mood. Your whole family was truly blessed to have had so many happy years and precious memories with him. We love you guys so much! The Bachers

Craig, Becky, Tom, & Keelie - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

RK

“ Sending our heartfelt sympathy to all of you on your loss. May God be with you to help you thru this time & offer comfort. God bless.

Robert & Kathy Wilges Knoch - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

DG

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you during this sad time. Angels around you. Dave, Judy, Daniel, Ciara & Patrick, David, Stephanie, Tigerlily and Steven Peace be with you.

Dave and Judy Gehrlich - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

VD

“ To Alice and family - my deepest condolences to you and your great family. Ruth told me your Dad wanted the same type funeral Emerson had. So sorry I cannot be there for you. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Vivian

Vivian Dinges - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CH

“ I am happy to have known Mr. Neumeier & his large family. This was a man that knew how it felt to receive a good neck & shoulder rub! I will miss doing that for Mr. Elmer (Twigster). A great guy that will be missed, but not forgotten.

Chuck - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

AA

“ Amy and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. May you find comfort in God's presence.

Andrew & Stephanie (Manger) Abbarno - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

TB

“ To Sam: So sorry to hear of the passing of your Father. Our thoughts are with you at this time..

Tony & Kelli Barker - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

TF

“ The entire Wahrer Family sends our love and best wishes to the entire Neumeier Family. Bob and Vivian always thought so much of Elmer and Mary Louise. Of course, there was a Neumeier "kid" in every one of our classes from Mary Jude, Kathy, Tom, Joe, Dan, Pat, Fran and Paul. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers!

The Wahrer Family - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

BR

“ It has been such an honor getting to know and caring for such a wonderful, kind, and loving person who will no doubt live on through his family and everyone he met, who's lives he undoubtedly touched. He for certain holds a special place in my heart. May God bless Mary, Dick, Matt, and the entire Neumeier family.

Betsy McPheron, RN - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

WN

“ The Neumeier, All of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

WACKIE & NORMA - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

SN

“ Mark, I am so sorry for your loss. Elmer Frederick Neumeier leaves behind a wonderful son and his beautiful family. I'll be praying for you all.

Steve Noble - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

J(

“ Thoughts and prayers are with all of you on your loss. I know its hard. I still miss dad Love to all of you Judy

Judy (Gehrllich)Mager - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM