



Harold John Epperson

May 5, 1938 - April 20, 2024

Harold “John” Epperson, 85, of Wapakoneta, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at 10:54 p.m. He was born to the late John L. & Edith K. (Severns) Epperson on May 5, 1938 in Lima, Ohio. On October 13, 1959, he married Ruth A. South, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by a daughter, Vicki (Dustin) Clayton of Wapakoneta; a brother, Charles (Beverlee) Epperson of Lima, Ohio; five grandchildren: Ashley (Tommy) Endicott, Andrew and Katherine Clayton of Wapakoneta, Ohio; Zachary Closson of New Haven, Indiana; Allison (Clifford) Erb of St. Marys, Ohio; seven great-grandchildren: Haylie Warner, Laken Blanton, Julianna Endicott, Brinley Stein all of Wapakoneta, Ohio, Olivia Endicott of Hilliard, Ohio, Braeylan and Braxyn Erb of St. Marys, Ohio; and numerous nieces and nephews.

John enjoyed playing golf, going on motorcycle rides and poker runs, coffee time with friends at Cloud 9 Café, Lucky Steer and the TA in Wapakoneta where he was a frequenter, spending time with family and friends, classic cars, horseshoe tournaments at the fairgrounds and bowling. He was also a Cleveland Browns and Indians fan. He loved his cats that soaked up every bit of his attention and love. He loved watching westerns and Clint Eastwood movies.

He attended school in Lima, Ohio; then served in the United States Marine Corps. John retired from Scot Lad Foods (Roundy's) in Lima after 37 years as a warehouseman. After retirement he was a self-proclaimed grandma and grandkid taxi driver which he thoroughly enjoyed.

He will be dearly missed but forever remembered as a loving husband, father, son, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin and friend.

The family will have visitation on Thursday, April 25th, from 5-8 p.m. and Friday, April 26th from 9:30-10:30 a.m., at the Eley Funeral Home Funeral & Crematory, 1102 Lincoln Hwy., Wapakoneta. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Fri. April 26, at the funeral home, with Chaplain Glory Geib officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445. Memorial contributions can be made out to the Alzheimer's Foundation. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road
Wapakoneta, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jeff & Pam Howard...& Family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Harold John Epperson.



Jeff & Pam Howard...& Family - April 23, 2024 at 08:09 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 Harold John Epperson, 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, Harold John Epperson, 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 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - April 23, 2024 at 06:45 AM



“ *Much sympathy for all the family at this time in need. I know he will be greatly missed and all will forever cherish those wonderful times together.* ”

Greg Comer - April 22, 2024 at 02:26 PM