



## Howard L. "Howdy" Brandehoff

November 29, 1933 - April 29, 2023

Howard L. "Howdy" Brandehoff, 89, of Wapakoneta, died 11:05 a.m., Sat. April 29, 2023, at Odem at Auglaize, with his family at his side. He was born Nov. 28, 1933, in Ottoville, OH, the son of the late Laverne & Gladys (Wreede) Brandehoff. On Nov. 7, 1964, he married Marilyn K. Smith, and she survives.

Other survivors include,

4 children, Vickie (Lloyd-dec) Boyd, Murrells Inlet, SC,

Yvonne Shaffer, Wapakoneta,

Julie Messer, Botkins, OH,

Wendy (Brian) Schoonover, Wapakoneta;

grandchildren, Shawn (Melissa) Boyd, Shane (Melissa) Boyd,

Dylan Shaffer, Macey Shaffer, Dr. Mercedes (Daniel) Cook,

Maverick (Brianna-fiancée) Long, Logan (Drew) Miracle,

Alexis Jacobs;

2 step-grandchildren, Nick Schoonover, Cassie Schoonover;

great grandchildren, Jordan Boyd, Trevor Boyd, Matthew Boyd, Alexia Boyd,

Aspen Boyd, Axell McGue, Jettlyn McGue, Emmett Long;

great great granddaughter, Grace Boyd;

brothers, Robert (Annalee) Brandehoff, Donald (Patricia) Brandehoff;

sister-in-law, Karen Brandehoff.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Marvin Brandehoff, Paul (Mary) Brandehoff, infant John Richard Brandehoff, and infant Donna Jean Brandehoff.

Howdy retired as a metal fabricator and foreman from Superior Tube Co., Wapakoneta. He also worked at Sidney Tool and Die, and owned and operated H.L.B. Associates. He was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ, and the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie #691, both of Wapakoneta. He was also a former member of the St. Johns Fire Dept. Howdy was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He enjoyed spending time with his family, playing cards, fishing, farming, tinkering in his garage, and taking John Deere tractor rides with the grandkids. Howdy was known for being able to fix anything and was an avid bowler and horseshoe player. He also enjoyed watching the NBA, especially the Los Angeles Lakers.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m., Fri. May 5, 2023, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, with Pastor Mark Bishop officiating. Burial is to follow in the Resthaven Memory Gardens, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445. The family will receive friends 4-8 p.m., Thurs. and 1 hour prior to the service, Fri. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Alzheimer's Foundation. Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 4. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
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## Visitation

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Hi again -  
*Rich Monnin & I went to Howdy's viewing today, & just wanted to share what I mentioned to Howdy's daughter. An old saying here, I thought really described the smile he always wore - "Keep smiling - it makes other people wonder what you're up to". This is Howdy . . .*  
*John D. Bender*

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**John D bender** - May 04, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Howard L. "Howdy" Brandehoff.*



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May 03, 2023 at 11:14 PM

EB

“ *I remember you always being at the Family Reunion for the Brandehoff's when I was growing up. May you now be at the "Great Reunion"! Elaine (Brandehoff) Bush*



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**Elaine Brandehoff Bush** - May 02, 2023 at 08:00 PM

RH

“ I first met Howdy when I worked at the grain elevator in Uniopolis and he was hauling in grain. He made quite the impression with his orneriness! :-) He always made me laugh and I looked forward to him coming in. Rest in peace my friend. My condolences to all the families who were blessed to have him in their lives.

Rachel Huelskamp - May 02, 2023 at 01:51 PM

CL

“ Wendy and family, thinking of you at this time. Remember the good times that were shared. Sincerely, Chris Lambert



Chris Lambert - May 02, 2023 at 07:55 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Howard L. "Howdy" Brandehoff.



May 01, 2023 at 02:41 PM

JR

“ My sincere condolences to the Brandehoff family. I had the good fortune of working with Howard at Superior Tube. He was a skilled, hands on, mechanic who contributed to Superior's operations on many levels; and was fun to work with. Our work-related road trips together were always memorable!

*R.I.P. my friend.*

*John Reinhart*

*Philadelphia, PA*

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**john Reinhart** - May 01, 2023 at 01:02 PM

KB

“ Howdy was my Dad Paul's brother...we literally grew up together and he was somewhat like a brother to me than an uncle....so many memories...he will be missed...he was always joking around and had a great sense of humor...his niece, Karen Brandehoff-Mobley

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**Karen Brandehoff-Mobley** - May 01, 2023 at 10:53 AM

JB

“ Worked with Howdy a few years ago. Always seemed to be smiling & ornery.

*RIP Howdy, John D. Bender*

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**John D bender** - May 01, 2023 at 07:15 AM