



## James W. "Bubba" Brannan

July 15, 1949 - August 28, 2021

James W. "Bubba" Brannan, 72, of Wapakoneta, died 5:36 p.m., Sat. Aug. 28, 2021, at Mercy Health- St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima. He was born July 15, 1949, in Lima, the son of the late Elmer C. "Jack" & Iva Irene (Krites) Brannan. On Oct. 20, 1972, he married Devra L. Waterman, and she survives.

Other survivors include,

2 daughters, Jamie Brannan, Wapakoneta,

Jodi (Jason) Wright, Lima,

4 grandchildren, Zack Brannan, Zerrick Brannan, Jaideyn Brannan, Jaden Wright,

2 great grandchildren who were the "Light of his Life" and called him Pop Pops,

Zuri Brannan, Nyla Brannan,

a brother, Dave "Tiny" (Michele) Brannan, Spencerville,

a brother-in-law, Steve (Connie) Kinstle, Wapakoneta,

2 nieces & 1 nephew,

several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Nancy Kinstle.

Bubba retired from the Wapakoneta Fire Dept. He also worked at Kent Surveying,

Cotner's Hardware, and the Lima Bargain Center. He was a U.S. Army veteran having served in Viet Nam, from 1969 to 1970, and was a life member of the Wapakoneta V.F.W., Post #8445, Wapakoneta. Bubba coached the

Wapakoneta High School girls bowling team, and Little League baseball. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, bowling, watching sports on ESPN, and was an avid fan of The Ohio State University Buckeyes.

Funeral services will be 4:00 p.m., Fri. Sept. 3, 2021, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. The family will receive family and friends 2-4 p.m., Fri. at the funeral home. Military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W., Post #8445, at the funeral home following the funeral service. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Wounded Warriors Project. Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
1102 Lincoln Hwy  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
(419) 738-7676  
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" was purchased for the family of James W. "Bubba" Brannan.*



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September 07, 2021 at 09:40 PM



“ *Bubba would always greet us at all the High School matches throughout the years. He was always such a joy to talk to and even when we all graduated, we'd run into Bubba, and he was just an awesome person. We won't ever forget Bubba and how great of a person he was. Our deepest sympathy to his family.*

*- The Stout Family*

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**Garrett Stout** - August 31, 2021 at 08:50 AM



“ *So many memories. I remember how you loved our 4th of July parties in Waynesfield. Your kind heart will be missed*



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**Jill Vetter** - August 30, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ *Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of James W. "Bubba" Brannan.*



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August 30, 2021 at 06:31 PM