



Rev. John E. Rumble

June 5, 1950 - October 28, 2017

Rev. John E. Rumble, 67, of Wapakoneta, was received into the waiting arms of His Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at St. Rita's Hospital following a brief illness. He was born June 5, 1950, in Celina, Ohio, the son of Harvey (Ed) and Ada Jane (Hook) Rumble who preceded him in death. He married his high school sweetheart, Dorothy L. Robinson, on June 7, 1969 and she survives.

He was a very passionate man and dearly loved his wife and family. He is survived by three sons and one daughter: Jay (Robin Marihugh) Rumble, Sevierville, Tenn., Tony (Jen Lubina) Rumble, Virginia Beach, Va., Scott (Katie Jackson) Rumble, Coleman, Fla, and Staci (Daryl) Bernath, Bryan, Oh. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren: Kyle Rumble, Jonathan Rumble, Christopher Rumble, Elle Rumble, Téa Rumble, Katherine Rumble, Broston Bernath, Benjamin Rumble, Aven Bernath, and twins Callan and Reece Bernath.

John is also survived by 2 sisters Jane (Dale) Heyd and Jacki (Paul) Hazelton and 4 brothers James Rumble, Joe (Brenda) Rumble, Jeff (Kris) Rumble and Mike (Melissa) Pursell.

John grew up in Rockford, Ohio but later graduated from Wapakoneta High School in 1968. He worked for Ford Motor Company in Lima for 30 years. In 1994, John felt the call to preach the gospel. Following his retirement from Ford in 1998, he was appointed as senior pastor at the Montpelier (Ohio) First Church of the Nazarene. John pastored this church for 17 years until retiring

in 2015. It was in Montpelier where he started a "Little Red Stone" ministry to share Christ in a practical way. Ministry was his passion.

He was a lifetime member of the Church of the Nazarene. He led many Bible schools throughout the area with his gospel illusions and puppet ministry. The Sonshine Puppeteers involved his own children, as well as other children from the church. He served as preteen camp director at the Lighthouse Camp & Conference Center in St. Marys for 6-7 years which he thoroughly enjoyed. He was also very involved in the Fellowship of Christian Magicians and served as the FCM Regional director for 10 years. He was a member of the Pioneer Lions Club and Christian Motorcyclists Association, serving as CMA chaplain for a few years.

John was an avid golfer and enjoyed woodworking with his wife beside him. He was a big fan of THE Ohio State Buckeyes, and the Wapakoneta Redskins, his alma mater, often attending their basketball and football games. Visitation for family and friends will be at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, Wapakoneta, on Tues., Nov. 7, from 4-8 PM. A celebration of John's life will be held at the Wapakoneta Church of the Nazarene on Nov. 8 at 10:30 AM with Dr. Geoff Kunselman officiating. There will be one hour of viewing preceding the service. Burial is to follow the service at Resthaven Memorial Gardens in St. Marys.

Suggestions for memorial contributions may be directed to Lighthouse Camp & Conference Center (specifically for children's camp scholarships), Montpelier First COTN or Wapakoneta COTN for their youth programs.

Cemetery Details

Resthaven Memory Gardens

County Road 33A
Moulton, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Hwy
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
(419) 738-7676
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com/>

Visitation

NOV 8. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Wapakoneta Church of the Nazarene
401 Court Street
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Service

NOV 8. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AR

“ Blessings to John's family. I was so sorry to hear of his passing! We went to high school together, and went to the Happy Humpty more times than I can count. He would give the waitress a tip. "Early to bed and early to rise, makes you healthy, wealthy, and wise." (along with an actual tip for service) That never got old! He was a funny guy! I was a bridesmaid in his wedding, and he was best man in mine. We went to church every Sunday to the church of the Nazarene. Its appropriate that he went back there for his final journey. Lovely to hear that he also became a minister. Rest easy John.

Arlene Esque Rounce - January 14, 2018 at 02:39 PM

DH

“ Words are inadequate to convey the great admiration and deep appreciation that I felt for "Pastor John". He was a special friend, an enjoyable golf buddy, a fellow pastor, and a dear brother in Christ. I will miss him.
Debby and I love you and will be praying for you.
Winston J. Hatcliff

Debby Williams Hatcliff - November 06, 2017 at 11:38 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. John E. Rumble.



November 06, 2017 at 05:42 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Rev. John E. Rumble.*



November 05, 2017 at 09:39 PM



“ *My sweet cousin Jonn...it is so hard to believe you are gone, but I know you are in Heaven with our Lord and Savior. May this bring peace to your family knowing you are walking the streets of gold in Heaven!..give a kiss and hug to dad for me please and let him know I love him and miss him. Fly high with those angels and we will meet again someday..love your cousin Carol*

Carol Burger - November 04, 2017 at 06:02 PM



“ *Pastor John spoke to everyone. He made you feel comfortable. We are glad to have him as a very special friend. He will be. Sadly missed. Prayers to his lovely family.
Dan and Brenda Bohner*

brenda bohner - November 03, 2017 at 05:42 PM



“ *My dear brother John. We loved to go to ball games and make folks laugh. John told the story about him and me going to Riverfront, at the family reunion. We had the folks around us laughing. John had the biggest sense of humor and loved to laugh. That is how I remember my brother John////*

Doug Market - November 03, 2017 at 04:03 PM

EW

“ *Ernestine Wagers lit a candle in memory of Rev. John E. Rumble*



Ernestine Wagers - November 03, 2017 at 09:19 AM

EW

“ *Much love & prayers that God helps you through this trying time. I have suffered a lot of loss in my life, it never gets any easier but God makes it less painful. I hope you find comfort in knowing he's happy with his Lord*

Ernestine Wagers - November 03, 2017 at 09:17 AM

BS

“ *Billie, Karen, Mandy, & Sammy purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rev. John E. Rumble.*



Billie, Karen, Mandy, & Sammy - November 02, 2017 at 08:26 PM

MH

“ *John was my first boys camp counselor over 40 years ago. We became friends and I always looked forward to seeing him at camp meeting. I wish everyone had a person like him to look up to in their lives. Thank you for being a great friend and a Godly example. Until we meet again, Rest in Peace and enjoy heaven.*

Mark Hoisington - November 02, 2017 at 01:26 PM

ST

To the family of Rev. John Rumble. What a great man. I will hold that little red stone close to my heart ❤️ hugs to the family. Sheri Taylor

Sheri Taylor - November 03, 2017 at 09:02 AM

JH

“ My heart is breaking at losing my big brother, yet I am rejoicing that I will see him again. He is celebrating with our parents and will never again know pain! So thankful for the many memories and for his example as a Godly man.

Jacki Hazelton - November 02, 2017 at 12:52 PM

CA

“ Keeping the family in are prayers .John was a great guy he loved everyone. We will miss John. We loved him alot.

Casey Lisa Billy Allison - November 02, 2017 at 06:14 AM

JD

“ Dorothy, we are so sorry to hear of John's passing. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Bob and Janet Damschroder

Janet Damschroder - November 01, 2017 at 09:47 PM

GB

“ Gary and Frieda Bronken purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rev. John E. Rumble.



Gary and Frieda Bronken - October 31, 2017 at 08:32 PM

DR

“ Dorothy and family. So sorry to hear of John’s passing. He will be missed on the NWO District. You will be in our prayers in the coming days.

David & Linda Ricker

David & Linda Ricker - October 31, 2017 at 09:49 AM

DC

“ Dorothy and family, we were so sorry to hear about John's passing. We loved John and his sense of humor, and genuine love for the Lord. He will be missed!

Don & Deb Carter - October 30, 2017 at 10:44 PM

CM

“ John loved his Lord, and he loved all people. He was a special man.

Chuck Moog - October 30, 2017 at 12:03 AM