



Ralph P. Meinerding

November 5, 1922 - December 18, 2011

Ralph P. Meinerding, 89, of Wapakoneta, died 10:55 p.m., Sun. Dec. 18, 2011, at The Gardens, Wapakoneta. He was born Nov. 5, 1922, in Rose Hill, OH, the son of Charles & Josephine (Hein) Meinerding, who preceded him in death. On June 13, 1946, he married Irene E. Staugler, and she survives. Other survivors include, 2 daughters, Pat (Dennis) Coyne, Erlanger, KY, Barb (Bob) Kohlrieser, Wapakoneta, 7 grandchildren, Jenny (Eric) Reinkober, Mary Beth Coyne, Kevin Coyne, Cindy (Chris) Oliver, Katie (Andy) Sheipline, Denise Kohlrieser, & Greg Kohlrieser, 4 great grandchildren, Helen, Joe, Laird & Abby. He was preceded in death by a son, Robert Meinerding who died in 1977, and 2 brothers, Jerome & Herbert Meinerding. Ralph owned and operated Meinerding's in Wapakoneta for 12 years. He later worked at Pantry Pride, Wapakoneta. He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church, Lima where he was a Eucharist minister, usher, greeter, and served for funeral masses. A veteran of W.W. II, he served with the U.S. Army, 237th Engineer Battalion Medical Detachment. He was a member of the V.F.W. Post #8445, Wapakoneta. His hobbies included gardening, playing cards, woodworking, making doll houses, but most especially spending time with his family. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m., Fri. Dec. 23, 2011, at the St. John's Catholic Church, Lima, OH, Rev. David Ross officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Wapakoneta, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445. The family will receive friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., Thurs. at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the St. John's Catholic Church Renovation Fund or the charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall

PR

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you. I remember your Father so well and always liked him. May God give you strength during this difficult time.

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

SH

“ Barb and family, Thinking of you at this very difficult time. Know you are in my every thought and prayers.

Sheila Hutt - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

MB

“ My deepest sympathy to Barb and Bob and her family. How hard to let them go but knowing they are in a better place I hope will bring you guys some peace. God bless you. Mary Beth

Mary Beth - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

JM

“ Barb and Bob and all your family members, We are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. He was a truly nice man who always had a pleasant word for everyone he talked to. There were many good times we had in "Dings" in past years and your dad was there for them all. We know how much you will all miss him but we also know you have so many special memories that you will hold in your hearts forever. We both will be thinking of you and saying a prayer for your dad. Jack and Deb

Jack and Deb Madden - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

KP

“ Oof. Mom and Dad used to hang out at Meinerding's, occasionally with me in tow, and I remember Ralph as just one nice man. Dad just told me a great Ralph story about two bucks. Dad found \$2 there and gave it to Ralph in case anybody claimed it. Nobody did, and two weeks later Ralph gave it back. "This is yours, Joe." Honest and fair as well as nice.

Kurt Pickering - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

TM

“ We can never forget the fun and great times we had with Uncle Ralph. He Shared his life with us and it was a great reward. We will miss him always. Tom and Susie

Tom and Susie Meinerding - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CS

“ We want to let you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Uncle Ralph was a great guy. Peace be with him Love you and Irene! Love Charley, Deb and family!

Charley and Deb Steinbrunner - July 10, 2015 at 03:56 PM

CH

“ As we go through life we meet many people and some of them leave footsteps on our heart. Ralph was my classmate Patty's father, an employer for a time, and most of all, a friend. His friendly smile was given to all and he genuinely cared for people. He will leave a void but his memory will live on. Irene, Patty, Barb, treasure all your memories and rejoice that he is now home with God.

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