



## Ray Propst, Jr.

January 8, 1939 - January 8, 2023

Ray Propst Jr., 84, of Celina, formerly of Wapakoneta, died 8:55 p.m., Sunday, January 8, 2023, at Mercer Health in Coldwater with his family at his side. He was born January 8, 1939, in Logan, West Virginia, the son of Henry Ray, Sr. and Julia (Henson) Propst, who preceded him in death. On March 18, 1983, he married Shirley Kerst, and she survives.

Other survivors include, 4 daughters, Roberta (Ernest) Preston, Wapakoneta, Donna (Timothy) Parsons, Wapakoneta, Julia Koch, Wapakoneta, Lisa (Jeffery) Schott Sr., Celina, bonus daughter, Jane (Fred, dec.) Tweedy and bonus son Jason (Tammy) Kerst. Other survivors include, grandchildren, Kelly Glass, T.Ryan (Lisa) Parsons, Kristina Bell, Ashley (Cory) Watson, Jeremy (Stacey) Koch, Kirstin Franks, Amanda (Jesse) Dailey, Laura (Tim) Folger, Tiffany (Michal) Bartko, Ethan Parsons, Rebecca Parsons, Jacob Parsons, bonus grandchildren Alex (Conner) Hart, Brooke Kerst, Vanessa Kerst, Jeffery Schott Jr., Thomas Schott, Mathew Schott, Derrick (Jessica) Schott. Also surviving are 26 great grandchildren with one due in February and a sister-in-law Louise Propst. He was preceded in death by brothers and their spouses, William Propst, John (Bobby Jean) Propst, Thomas (Mary Lou) Propst, Noah Propst, Andy Propst, sisters and their spouses, Betty (Enoch) Adkins, Della (Pete) Baldwin, Mary (Franklin) Chambers, mother and father in law Oliver and Esther Kuck and his beloved dogs Lily, Chloe and Peaches. Ray, Jr. retired from Ametek Westchester Plastic, Wapakoneta and Agrana, Botkins. He loved spending time with his family, going to auctions, watching westerns,

traveling, going for rides and sitting in the garage watching the cars go by and talking to his buddy.

Funeral services will be 3:00 p.m., Jan. 14, 2023, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. Burial is to follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 1-3 p.m., Sat. Jan. 14, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to Mercer Health, Coldwater, OH, or a fund established to purchase bicycles for the under privileged children of Logan, WV. Jr. had mentioned that if he ever won the lottery, he would get a semi truck, fill it with bicycles and take them to the children of Logan, WV.

To make a donation, please send it to:

American Legion Post #19

Ladies Auxiliary

P.O. Box 1212

Chapmanville, WV 25508

Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
1102 Lincoln Ave.  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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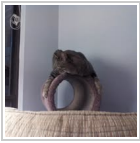
“ He was a great grandfather to me and my sisters. He was a happy man and we all miss him greatly. I love you old papa miss you bonehead.

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**Nevaeh Franks** - January 22 at 11:26 PM

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“ To Shirley and family, I am SO sorry to hear of the passing of JR. I worked with him for a number of years at Agrana, he always had a smile on his face and a joke to tell, willing to help anyone who asked. He was a special guy and will be missed.  
Sherrye Lamma

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**Sherrye Lamma** - January 18, 2023 at 09:22 AM



“ Our prayers are with you and your family. We think of the fun times we had with Ray at our International Dinners. He always would make sure everyone enjoyed themselves.

Sandy Furry, Don Stolzenberg, an Sue Morningstar



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**Marilyn Morningstar** - January 14, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ray Propst, Jr..



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January 13, 2023 at 08:33 AM

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“ Always had a smile on his face and had to joke around every time I seen him. Thoughts and prayers to all of the family. R.I.P. Jr. You will be missed.



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**Karen Steinke** - January 10, 2023 at 12:13 PM