



## Ruth E. Heller

June 24, 1929 - December 30, 2016

Ruth E. Heller, 87, of Wapakoneta, died 9:37 p.m., Thurs. Dec. 30, 2016, at Auglaize Acres. She was born June 24, 1929, in Spring City, PA, the daughter of Clarence & Elizabeth (Gottschalk) Rentschler, who preceded her in death. On June 28, 1952, she married Ferdinand F. "Ferd" Heller, and he died June 16, 2012.

Survivors include,

5 children, Patti (Jake) Braun, Wapakoneta; Robert (Patty) Heller, Hamilton, OH;

David (Jodie) Heller, Napoleon, OH; Joan (Fred) McAdoo, Dayton, OH;

John Heller, Columbus, OH,

9 Grandchildren, Jen (Joe) Templeton, Kara (Ryan) Schneider, Mike (Alicia) Heller,

Kim Heller, Andrew (Jessica) McAdoo,

Courtney (Trevor Randolph) Braun, Katie (John) Murphy,

Amy (Nathan Hunt) McAdoo, and Rachel Early,

7 great grandchildren, Makenzie & Kelsey Schneider, Nolan & Clara Ruth Heller,

Kaiden & Oliviana McAdoo, and Isabella Murphy,

siblings, Pat Howe, CO; Janice McCambridge, NJ; & Butch (Shirley) Rentschler, PA,

numerous nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter-in-law, Rebecca Early; siblings & spouses, Clarence (Elaine) Rentschler, Jean (Chet) Yeager, Jim (Peg) Rentschler; and 2 brothers-in-law, Don McCambridge & Donald "Red" Howe.

A homemaker, Ruth retired in 2003 as head cook at Centennial Elementary School after 30 years of service. She had also worked at Fisher Cheese Co., Wapakoneta. She graduated in 1947 from Spring City High School, PA, where she was voted "The Most Athletic" and was also an All-State performer in field hockey. She was a member of First English Lutheran Church, Wapakoneta. She was a member & past club champion at the Wapakoneta Country Club, and bowled in several leagues in Wapakoneta. After retirement, she and Ferd enjoyed eating out, especially at McDonalds. Her hobbies included playing golf, singing, painting, cross stitch, latch hook rugs, and being outdoors. She and her husband Ferd, were huge fans of the Wapakoneta High School athletics, and were basketball and football season ticket holders for over 50 years. They also supported

their grandchildren by attending their various activities.

The family would like to offer a heart felt thank-you to the nurses and staff at Auglaize Acres for the wonderful care they provided to their mother while she was there.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Thurs. Jan. 5, 2017, at the First English Lutheran Church, 107 West Mechanic St., Wapakoneta, with Pastor Neil Brady officiating. Burial is to follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 4-8 p.m., Wed. at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, 1102 Lincoln Ave., (St. Rt. 501) Wapakoneta, and 1 hr. prior to the service, Thurs. at the church. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Auglaize Acres Memory Unit or First English Lutheran Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road  
Wapakoneta, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 4.** 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

**JAN 5.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

First English Lutheran  
107 West Mechanic Street  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

## Service

**JAN 5.** 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

PW

“ Sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a dear lady.

*Pat Reineke Woolf  
Jean Reineke Woehler*

pat woolf - January 07, 2017 at 05:22 PM

PB

*Thank you so much Pat and Jean. Patti Braun*

Patti Braun - January 17, 2017 at 10:46 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Heller.



January 02, 2017 at 04:15 PM

JB

“ I'll always remember her laugh. God bless <3

Jackie Billiter - January 02, 2017 at 09:42 AM

PB

*Thank you Jackie❤️ I sure am missing her.*

Patti Braun - January 17, 2017 at 10:47 PM

AC

“ So very sad to hear of Ruth's passing. Always a friendly smile and sweet words. Condolences to her loving family.

Ann Cecere - January 01, 2017 at 11:02 PM

PB

*Thank you Ann❤️*

Patti Braun - January 17, 2017 at 10:48 PM

JA

“ *The Heller's were neighbors of our M&D for many years. We could not have asked for better neighbors for our parents. Ruth was always laughing and always willing to take time out to talk. Truly cared about family, the Oakwood Hills neighborhood & Wapak itself. I pray for peace & comfort for her loved ones. Wapak will not be the same. Jill A Anthony-Ft. Myers, Fl.*

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**Jill A Anthony** - January 01, 2017 at 09:31 PM

PB

*Thank you so much Jill. So sad to know all 4 of our parents are gone. Thank you also for the beautiful lantern in Mom's memory.*

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**Patti Braun** - January 17, 2017 at 10:49 PM