



Sonia M. Opperman

May 8, 1948 - September 1, 2023

Sonia M. Opperman, 75, of Wapakoneta, died 6:35 p.m., Fri. Sept. 1, 2023, at Otterbein-Cridersville, with her family at her side. She was born May 8, 1948, in Lima, the daughter of the late Robert and Regina (Wehrle) King.

Survivors include,

2 children, Michael R. (Scott-dec) Opperman, Wapakoneta,

Jennifer L. (Michael) Whitehead, Wapakoneta;

3 grandchildren, Lauren, Dylan, and Justin Whitehead;

sisters, Sharon (Tom) Gehrlich, Columbus, OH,

Sandra "Sas" (Gary) Wildermuth, Wapakoneta,

Sara (Ken) Klopfenstein, Wapakoneta;

several nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Susan Neuman.

Sonia owned & operated a baking business, decorating cakes, cookies, and cupcakes. She also worked as canteen manager at the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445, and in membership sales at Sam's Club, Lima. A 1966 graduate of St. Joseph High School, Sonia was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta, and the St. Joseph Sewing Ladies. She was also a life member of V.F.W. Post #8445 Auxiliary and the Fraternal of the Eagles, Aerie #691, both of Wapakoneta. She enjoyed baking, crafts, and gardening. But most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and family.

The family would to express their sincere appreciation to the partners of Otterbein Cridersville for the care and love they gave to Sonia over the past two years, as well as the staff of St. Rita's Hospice.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Fri. Sept. 8, 2023, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta, with Fr. Michael Willig officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 4-8 p.m., Thurs. and 9:30-10:00 a.m., Fri. at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. Memorial contributions may be directed to the St. Joseph Cemetery Restoration Fund or the St. Joseph Sewing Ladies. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Previous Events

Visitation

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

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

Visitation

SEP 8. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
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Service

SEP 8. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Pearl Street
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sonia M. Opperman.*



September 07, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ *“Sonia was a kind, loving and other centered person, sweeter even that those beautiful cookies, cakes and cupcakes she was famous for. We are all blessed that she raised her children, Mike and Jennie, to be as caring as she was. We pray that the choirs of angels came to greet her and take her to paradise with our Mom, Dad, sister Susie and all our deceased loved ones.*

Sharon Gehrlich - September 07, 2023 at 10:20 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sonia M. Opperman.*



September 06, 2023 at 09:08 AM

JG

“ I was doing just fine! Then I wondered what the Sonia Opperman post was about? I saw her name in the email? This news hurts me so much! I am trying to hold back my tears. I remember dancing with Sonia at the Wigwam, next to the Auglaize river. I last saw her at the reunion. I will miss Sonia!
John Gutmann

John Gutmann - September 05, 2023 at 11:42 PM



“ My thoughts & prayers to all.



Joyce Coffey - September 05, 2023 at 11:23 PM

GB

“ Sonia worked for me at Sam's Club and she was so nice and very classy, I absolutely loved working with her. She was a driven person who always had results at the end of the day and she was a very talented lady. My very deepest condolences to the entire family.



Gayle Brock - September 04, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Sonia M. Opperman.



September 04, 2023 at 01:03 PM