



Austin "Spike" Lecklider III

June 15, 2021

Austin Allen "Spike" Lecklider, III, 79, of Napoleon died at his home on Tuesday, June 15, 2021, surrounded by his loving family.

Spike was born December 20, 1941, in Toledo, Ohio, to the late Austin and Rufina (Vajen) Lecklider, II. On January 2, 1976, he married Sylvia Martinez, and they shared 45 years together.

Spike was a loving and supportive husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother. He spent his entire career as a diesel mechanic working for Martin Diesel in Defiance and Miller Bros. Construction in Archbold; recently having retired from Martin Diesel. He was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church in Napoleon, where he was also a Third Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of Elks Lodge #929, BPOE of Napoleon, and an honorary member of the V.F.W. Post #8847 of New Bavaria. When not working, he enjoyed fishing, maintaining his lawn and hosting friends and family in his garage. He found joy and anger in following the Detroit Tigers and Lions, the Ohio State Football Buckeyes and the Gonzaga Basketball Bulldogs. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren whenever possible, most notably when preparing a meal on his charcoal grill. On occasion, Spike enjoyed a cold beer and/or a nice glass of Scotch with good company (if you are smiling right now because of a fond memory or two, please consider yourself 'good company').

He is survived by his wife, Sylvia; children, Erika (Barry) Damman, Austin (Ashly) Lecklider, IV, Justin (Amanda) Lecklider; and, from a previous

marriage, Dee Dee (Steve) Kirkpatrick and Dan (Stacie) Lecklider; 11 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and, a sister, Janice Lecklider. He was preceded in death by his sister, Rufina Anne Harper, and his brother, Michael Lecklider.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, June 19 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Napoleon. Interment will follow at the church cemetery.

Visitation will be Friday from 3:00 to 8:00 PM at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home in Napoleon.

The family suggests memorials to CHP Home Care and Hospice of Defiance, or to St. Augustine Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

St. Augustine's Cemetery

St. Rt. 108
Napoleon, OH 43545

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall



“ Remembering all the family get togethers and the weekends at Spanglers, Rest In Peace Spike, you are in our thoughts and prayers!!

Gary Oberhaus - June 19, 2021 at 08:51 AM



“ Oh my! What can I say to comfort you Sylvia and your family. So many fond memories of Spike. Loved his one liners when you least expected it, his stories and the willingness to listen to you. Sorry I couldn't make it to the viewing but know you all were thought of along with Spike. If there is anything I can do to help you Sylvia please don't hesitate to call. Love Diane Hastedt

Diane Hastedt - June 18, 2021 at 12:08 PM



Sympathy and prayers to you Sylvia and your family. Many happy memories from our days in high school, and our days hunting together, never a dull moment!!! Hadn't seen Spike in over 10 years, since moving to Cleveland. Once again, deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Dan Norden - June 18, 2021 at 09:17 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 17, 2021 at 05:45 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 17, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to u Sylvia and your family.



Barbara Dangelo - June 17, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 17, 2021 at 12:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 17, 2021 at 07:34 AM

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“ Norma Potter purchased the *Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum* for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



Norma Potter - June 17, 2021 at 07:34 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 17, 2021 at 06:27 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 16, 2021 at 10:14 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.



June 16, 2021 at 09:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.*



June 16, 2021 at 08:36 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.*



June 16, 2021 at 08:19 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.*



June 16, 2021 at 07:13 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin "Spike" Lecklider III.*



June 16, 2021 at 05:51 PM

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“ *My heart breaks for the loss of Spike and for his family left behind. Please accept our sincerest condolences. Sending prayers for your strength at this very difficult time. Lovingly, Jan and John Stover*

jan stover - June 16, 2021 at 05:45 PM

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“ *Sylvia and family:
Sending sincere sympathy on the passing of Spike. Your in our thoughts and prayers.
Tom and Susie Snyder*

tom snyder - June 16, 2021 at 05:37 PM