



## Bernard Lee Dielman

June 9, 1939 - April 4, 2024

Bernard Lee Dielman, 84, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away on Thursday, April 4, 2024. He was born on June 9, 1939, the oldest son of Robert and Ruth (Rettig) Dielman. He was baptized on August 6, 1939, at St. John's Evangelical Reformed Church, Holgate by Rev. O. Stockmeier. On April 9, 1950, he was confirmed at Evangelical United Brethren Church, McClure by Rev. E. H. Daubert. He became a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, through confirmation by Rev. Frederick Kipp on April 11, 1963. Bernie and Florence (Junge) Dielman were married on August 26, 1962, at St. John Lutheran Church, Holgate by Rev. Donald Schumm.

After graduating from McClure High School in 1957, Bernie served in the Army National Guard. He became a multi-talented carpenter under the guidance of his father, Bob, and could build an entire house as easily as a beautiful piece of furniture. As a faithful member of St. Paul, he gave of his time and talents by serving on many different boards and committees. There are many examples of his excellent carpenter skills throughout the church and school.

Bernie was born in the brick farmhouse that was built by his ancestors. Family members have lived on this property since 1876, and Bernie enjoyed carrying on that tradition from 1970 until his death. He was proud of the many deer he harvested by bow hunting in the woods. His family liked to fish and swim in

the pond, drive the 4x4 around the field, and indulge in the many kinds of fudge he made. His beloved grandchildren especially enjoyed Pa Pa's famous Red Velvet pancakes, served during the summer Dielman Weekends.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, are his children: Matthew (Noelle) Dielman, Mark (Richel) Dielman, Jennifer (Kevin) Donovan; grandchildren: Lauren (Reed) Taylor, Alexandra Dielman, Wesley (Elisa) Dielman, Andrea Dielman, David Dielman, Dylan Dielman, Ciara (Matthew) Sako, Sean Donovan; great grandson, Ambrose James Dielman; brother Ronald (Debbie) Dielman; brother-in-law Larry Dirr, and many nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Roberta (Larry) Dirr.

Funeral Services will be private for the family. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com). Arrangements entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon.

# Tribute Wall

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“ We are so sorry to hear about Bernard.  
You and Bernard have been wonderful neighbors for so many  
years. We are thinking of you and your family.

Terry and Nancy Gray - April 13, 2024 at 06:16 PM

JD

“ I'm so very sorry to hear about the passing of the love of your life  
and I do know how it hurts. I'm sending prayers Florence, to you  
and your family.

Judy Dickmann - April 07, 2024 at 08:23 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of  
Bernard Lee Dielman.



April 05, 2024 at 11:05 PM

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“ Mary and Drea planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bernard Lee  
Dielman.

Mary and Drea - April 05, 2024 at 11:05 PM

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“ *The Haake Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bernard Lee Dielman.*



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**The Haake Family** - April 05, 2024 at 09:23 PM

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