



Cletus Joseph Schindler

February 14, 1938 - January 13, 2025

Cletus Joseph Schindler, 86, of Liberty Center, Ohio, passed away at his home on January 13, 2025. He was born on February 14, 1938, in Ney, Ohio to the late Edward and Irene (Batt) Schindler. Cletus married Rebekah Wilson-Ceculski on June 19, 1993, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Tiffin, Ohio.

Cletus was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church, Napoleon. He was also a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, serving as Grand Knight for three years. Cletus farmed, drove truck, and worked for the Henry County Highway Dept, where he retired in 2000. In his younger days, Cletus was a member of the Maumee Valley Saddle Club.

Cletus is survived by his children, Cletus II (Kelly) Schindler, Patricia Mayes, and Rhonda Taylor; grandchildren, Krista (Eric), Tim (Julie), Willie (Kara), Danielle, Matthew, Rhea, and Olivia; great grandchildren, Conner, Emma, Ruthee Rae, Tim, Cambri, Maddox, Jessa, Jackie, Matthew, and Knox; sisters, Marybelle Timbrook, Alma Jean Ewers, and Janice (Bob) Neiling; and sister-in-law, Pat Schindler ; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Rebekah; brothers, Richard (Ann) Schindler, Robert (Kate) Schindler, and Francis Schindler; sisters, Bernadette (Victor) Sheets, Madonna (Larry) Brenner; brothers-in-law Lawrence Ewers and Basil Timbrook.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon, on Thursday, January 16, 2025, from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM with a Rosary Service at 6:30, followed by the Knights of Columbus. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine Catholic Church, Napoleon on Friday, January 17, 2025, at 11:30 AM. Interment will follow at Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance, Ohio. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Augustine Catholic Church or St. Augustine Catholic Schools. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Memory Gardens

29321 County Rd 424
Defiance, OH 43512

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 16. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Rosary Service

JAN 16. 6:30 PM (ET)

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Knights of Columbus Service

JAN 16. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Mass

JAN 17. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Augustine Catholic Church
726 Monroe St.
NAPOLEON, OH 43545

Tribute Wall



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cletus Joseph Schindler.

January 16, 2025 at 07:32 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Cletus Joseph Schindler.



January 16, 2025 at 05:06 PM



“ Jarrett, Jill, Abbie & Katie Wilson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Cletus Joseph Schindler.



Jarrett, Jill, Abbie & Katie Wilson - January 16, 2025 at 10:28 AM



“ Jarrett, Jill, Abbie & Katie Wilson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cletus Joseph Schindler.

Jarrett, Jill, Abbie & Katie Wilson - January 16, 2025 at 10:28 AM



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Rodenberger Funeral Home - January 16, 2025 at 09:10 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of **Cletus Joseph Schindler**.



January 14, 2025 at 11:02 PM



“ *I met Clete and Becky years before I joined Relay. They would order cakes from Me to take to the grandkids. Then we met up again at Relay for many years. They were a great couple. Prayers for his family and for all that knew him. May you find comfort and peace in knowing that he's with the Lord and Becky. He will be greatly missed. Clete, you and Becky keep Smiling down on all of us at Relay You two were a big part of Relay We will continue to walk the walk to find that Cure RIP till we all meet again. 🙏💜🙏💜*

Kathy Vollmar - January 14, 2025 at 09:03 PM

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“ *Cletus always made me smile...I know his heart was broken when he lost Becky but he kept that ornery yet beautiful smile on his face.*

Tina Myers - January 14, 2025 at 08:43 PM

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“ *Aunt Jean Ewers and her 7 kids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Cletus Joseph Schindler.*



Aunt Jean Ewers and her 7 kids - January 14, 2025 at 05:18 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to all of Clete's family. He can now rest in heaven with his sweet Becky.*

Louise Small - January 14, 2025 at 08:44 AM