



## David J Stough

October 5, 1945 - August 2, 2024

David Jon Stough, 78, of Ridgeville Corners, Ohio passed away on Friday, August 2, 2024. He was born in Bryan, Ohio on October 5, 1945, to the late Claire “John” and Helen Marie (Castor) Stough. On November 20, 1971, he married Eileen Meyer at Zion Lutheran Church, Ridgeville Corners.

Dave was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and proudly served his country in the US Army during the Vietnam War. He was also a member of the Ridgeville American Legion and the Ridgeville Fire and Rescue for many years. Dave enjoyed fishing and woodworking in his leisure time.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Eileen; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by siblings, James Huffman and Mary (James) Davis.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon, on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Fireman’s Last Call Service at 7:30 PM. Funeral services will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, Ridgeville Corners, on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 11:00 AM with an hour of visitation prior to services. Interment will be held at Zion Lutheran Cemetery with military honors accorded by the Ridgeville American Legion Post #454. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Ridgeville Fire and Rescue, Filling home of Mercy, or Zion Lutheran Church.

Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Zion Lutheran Church

20141 Co Rd X  
Ridgeville Corners, OH 43545

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Fireman's Last Call Service

AUG 6. 7:30 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

AUG 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church  
20141 Co Rd X  
Ridgeville Corners, OH 43545

## Funeral Service

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AUG 7. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church  
20141 Co Rd X  
Ridgeville Corners, OH 43545

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Eileen,  
You have our deepest sympathy!! Dave served his country and  
community well. He's in the arms of his Lord and Saviour. Our  
prayers are with you!  
Norbert & Linda Sonnenberg*

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**Linda Joyce Sonnenberg** - August 11, 2024 at 04:11 PM

“ From the fields, forests, plains of Africa and war-torn Europe, to the frozen tundra of Korea, to the jungles of Southeast Asia, from the deserts of Kuwait and Iraq to the mountains of Afghanistan, brave patriots have protected our nation’s ideals, rescued millions from tyranny, and helped spread freedom around the globe. America’s veterans answered the call when asked to protect our nation from some of the most brutal oppression the world has ever known. Military service demands a special kind of sacrifice. The places where you are sent to live and serve bring risk every day. From the time you put on that uniform for the first time, the interests of the nation move to the forefront and define your life. Those duties are shared by family members who make many sacrifices of their own, sometimes bearing the burden of losing a loved one. Service brings rewards as well. There is pride in developing one’s own character, serving a cause far greater than self-interest. Every person who wears America’s uniform is part of a long, unbroken line of achievement and honor. No single military power in history has done greater good, shown greater courage, liberated more people or upheld higher standards of decency and valor than the Armed Forces of the United States of America. That is a legacy to be proud of and those who contributed to it must never be taken for granted. To honor our veterans, we must keep the promises we have made to them. We must care for those who have been injured in the service of our country. We must honor and remember those who have died. And we must remember those whose fate is still undetermined. We fly the Prisoner of War flag on Veterans Day for a reason, to show that this nation will not relent until we have accounted for every one of our missing Americans. Thank you for your service. Thank you for all that you have sacrificed for this great nation. Thank you for being the backbone of America.

*Brigadier General (Retired) Mark W. Lee, United States Army*

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“ Pam C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J Stough.

Pam C. - August 05, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of David J Stough.



August 05, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of David J Stough.



August 05, 2024 at 06:42 AM

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“ Dave was a true Patriot for his country, and a dedicated member for the RTVFD for many years, he made sure equipment was checked and in good working order, and kept numerous records in order for the department to function as well as it did! Rest in peace Dave many former firefighters are waiting for you!

Kristopher Lauber - August 04, 2024 at 04:15 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Dave’s passing. I remember him as always having a positive attitude and first to always say hello to you! Dave helped Larry and others construct our horseshoe shaped basement bar and sat around it a few times as well! Thanks again Dave!!

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**Helen Hesterman** - August 04, 2024 at 03:30 PM