



## Franklin Arthur Brown

April 28, 1938 - October 22, 2021

Franklin Arthur Brown, 83, of Napoleon, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Friday, October 22, 2021 at Fulton Manor in Wauseon, Ohio. He was born on April 28, 1938, in New Castle, Pennsylvania, to Arthur and Margaret (Guy) Brown, graduated from New Castle High School and Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

Frank's faith was very important to him. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, where he was ordained both as an elder and a deacon, and for years taught adult Sunday School after church. Frank was an industrial engineer for the Campbell Soup Company for five years, an industrial and process engineer for Tenneco for twenty three years, and consulted in engineering and quality for other companies after his retirement. He was a member of the Elks, the Masonic Lodge, and a past president of the Napoleon Rotary. Frank loved sports and enjoyed playing golf and tennis. For 29 years he refereed junior high and high school football and was proud of the role he played for schools that were just starting their football programs. Frank was also an avid gardener, and each summer he looked forward to vacationing at the Chautauqua Institution with his family.

Frank is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, April; and sons, Bruce Andrew Brown of Napoleon, and Douglas Arthur (Reka Jellema) Brown of Holland, Michigan. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother,

Bruce Allen (Lois) Brown, of Greenville, Indiana.

Friends and family will be received at First Presbyterian Church, 303 W. Washington Street, Napoleon, on Saturday, October 30, 2021, from 12:00 noon until the time of services at 2:00 PM. Interment will immediately follow at Forest Hill Cemetery, Napoleon. Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church or a charity of your choice. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Hill Cemetery

500 E. Maumee Ave  
Napoleon, OH 43545

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

OCT **30**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
303 West Washington Street  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Funeral Service

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CP

“ April, so sorry to read this. You have Ron and my sympathy and prayers. We miss you at CHQ...the very few of us here miss you and have been thinking of you and about you. Blessings to you! Ron and Carol Periard

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**Carol Periard** - August 01, 2022 at 02:53 PM

ML

“ April,  
So sorry to hear of your loss.. Carol P and I were at the Monday coffee hour today and we both missed you. Wed. Is recognition day. My email is mlewis4@rochester.rr.com. Let us know how you are!  
Marcia Lewis

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**Marcia Lewis** - August 01, 2022 at 01:19 PM

KJ

“ Dear Mrs. Brown, Bruce and Doug. I am very sorry for your loss. I always thought of Mr. Brown as a very kind and intelligent man always a great steward and positive example in the church.

*Kelly Joseph*

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**Kelly Joseph** - October 27, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Franklin Arthur Brown.



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October 26, 2021 at 08:40 AM