



Gene R. Thompson

November 9, 1932 - August 2, 2015

Gene Ross Thompson, 82, of Deshler, Ohio died Sunday afternoon, August 2, 2015 at Wood County Hospital, Bowling Green, Ohio.

He was born November 9, 1932 in Deshler to the late Lester and Helen (VanZandt) Thompson. On June 14, 1958 he married Zella Duling at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio.

Gene served as a Sergeant in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a lifetime farmer and also drove truck for the former Dekalb Hybrids, Deshler. He was a member of Deshler American Legion Post #316. Gene was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He enjoyed playing cards with his wife and friends. When asked, he was always willing to lend a hand.

He is survived by his wife of over 57 years, Zella; children, LaNae Thompson, Napoleon; Lynn (Robert) Voigt, Cincinnati, Ohio; Todd (Andrea) Thompson, Deshler; grandchildren, Benjamin Voigt; Sara Voigt; Zachary Voigt; Morgan Thompson; Taylor Thompson; Olivia Thompson; Brooke Ohlrich; Taylor Ohlrich and sister, Dawn (Charles "Bud") Haas, The Villages, Florida.

He was also preceded in death by sister, Janet Patton.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Friday at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler with Fr. Art Niewiadomski and Rev. James Wenger officiating.

Graveside services with military honors will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Deshler.

Visitation will be 2-8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to Deshler American Legion Post #316 or

Deshler Fire Department.

www.rodembergerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
(419) 592-2333
help@rodenbergergray.com

Service

AUG 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ Oh the sweet memories..... When I was 14 and Butch 15 our song was "Sometimes" How many times I cried and danced to that song. My Dad came home from work one day and asked if we knew who Gene Thomas was and of course I just gushed... my Dad had TALKED to him...in person..... touched him even.... Wow....you couldn't touch me then. RIP Gene. You brought happiness to many.

Jerry Abendroth - December 27, 2015 at 12:46 PM

DD

“ We're sorry for your loss. May you receive peace and comfort. -
Dave and Cathie Datema

Dave/Cathie Datema - August 07, 2015 at 04:38 PM

SC

“ Thoughts are with your family.



Staci challen - August 07, 2015 at 03:49 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gene R. Thompson.



August 05, 2015 at 09:20 PM

LN

“ *Leslie Norden lit a candle in memory of Gene R. Thompson*



Leslie Norden - August 05, 2015 at 12:00 PM

VT

“ *Verizon Wireless Sales Ops/Marketing, Andy and OPW Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Gene R. Thompson.*



Verizon Wireless Sales Ops/Marketing, Andy and OPW Team
- August 05, 2015 at 10:20 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gene R. Thompson.*



August 05, 2015 at 07:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gene R. Thompson.*



August 04, 2015 at 04:04 PM

RF

“ *Roger & Susan Eis Family lit a candle in memory of Gene R. Thompson*



Roger & Susan Eis Family - August 04, 2015 at 11:29 AM

SH

“ *Zella, I'm sad to hear about your husband. I always enjoy talking to you when I visit the foundry. May God bless.*

Sam Hoyle - Hickman Williams

Sam Hoyle - August 04, 2015 at 07:33 AM