



George Charles Goodman

October 16, 1947 - April 21, 2025

George Charles Goodman, 77, of McClure, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 21, 2025, at CHP Hospice in Defiance, Ohio, surrounded by the love of his family.

Born on October 16, 1947, in Toledo, Ohio, George was the son of the late George and Phylis (Austermiller) Goodman. A 1965 graduate of McClure High School, George went on to earn his degree from the University of Toledo.

Throughout his life, George embraced hard work and adaptability, holding a variety of positions before settling into his role as a Project Inspector for the Ohio Department of Transportation, where he concluded a fulfilling career.

George was a devoted member of Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler, Ohio, where his faith and commitment to community shone brightly. He shared his love for learning and mentorship by teaching Sunday school for several years.

A man of many passions, George delighted in cooking—especially hearty soups—and found joy in caring for the animals on his family farm. His dry and witty sense of humor endeared him to all who knew him, and he was a master of Jeopardy! and he kept a personal daily almanac. A lifelong fan of the Detroit Tigers, George rarely missed watching a game on T.V. and took pride in knowing stats and stories from decades of baseball history, which fell right in line with his love of history and reading historical nonfiction.

Above all, George adored his role as a husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He was known for his deep love and unwavering support for his family, never missing a chance to spoil his loved ones.

On June 14, 1975, George married his best friend and the love of his life, Deb (Smith) Goodman, in Toledo, Ohio. Together, they built a beautiful life and were looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this coming June.

George is survived by his beloved wife, Deb; their children: Dawn (Gary) Ellis, Charles Jason Goodman, and Amanda (Bob) Hanna; grandchildren: Cassandra Diem, Carissa Berger, Joseph (Michelle) Berger Jr., Olivia Buckland, and Chance, Neve, and Bode Hanna; great-grandchildren: Emery, Thaddeus, Declan, and Theodore; his brother, Roger (Deb) Goodman; and his loving niece, Lisa Marie Goodman.

A memorial service celebrating George's life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 25, 2025, at Peace Lutheran Church in Deshler, Ohio. Family and friends are invited to gather from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Peace Lutheran Church or to a charity of the donor's choice.

George's life was a testament to love, humor, faith, family, and loyalty—to both those he cherished and the team he rooted for each season. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

APR **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Peace Lutheran Cemetery
County Road G and County Road 5
Deshler, OH

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Tribute Wall

M.

“ *M.L.Porter lit a candle in memory of George Goodman*



M.L.Porter - May 01, 2025 at 12:54 AM

KS

“ *George was a great man and a dear friend to us at our business. He will always be remembered as a man with a kind word for everyone here- and as a lover of sports- especially the Detroit Tigers. Rest in Peace*

Kevin Savage - April 25, 2025 at 11:41 AM

KB

“ *Kirby B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Charles Goodman.*

Kirby B. - April 24, 2025 at 08:06 PM

SK

“ *George and Deb were my best friends, Bowling partners, and vacation buddies for so many years. A better man could not be found. My prayers are with you, Deb.*

Sue Kepling - April 24, 2025 at 01:20 PM

FS

“ From Morgan, Anna & Shawne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Charles Goodman.

From Morgan, Anna & Shawne - April 24, 2025 at 09:01 AM

FS

“ From Morgan, Anna & Shawne purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George Charles Goodman.



From Morgan, Anna & Shawne - April 24, 2025 at 09:01 AM

JR

“ Jason and family, our love and prayers are with you and your families.

John & Tresa Rowland - April 23, 2025 at 02:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of George Charles Goodman.

April 23, 2025 at 08:00 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of George Charles Goodman.



April 23, 2025 at 08:00 AM

PD

“ George was a great man. He was always ready to help others. He will be greatly missed by the community.



Patti Davis - April 22, 2025 at 08:41 PM

RH

“ I worked with George in my beginning years on different ODOT projects and he was a great teacher and very knowledgeable. He talked of his family and especially of Debby, with deep caring and love. He always was wheeling and dealing with books and trading cards. He did have a dry wit and loved to play the devil's advocate in our conversations. I am sending my sincere sympathy and may he rest in peace. Rosey Hug

Rosemary Hug - April 22, 2025 at 02:23 PM

BF

“ RIP old friend. I can hear you and a few others closing the Radish Fest singin' Brother Love's Traveling Salvation Show. Hallelujah ! My heartfelt sympathy and prayers, Deb, Dawn, Jason and Amanda. May you find peace in your memories.



Bonnie Floro - April 22, 2025 at 02:19 PM

TF

“ Deepest sympathy to your family.

The Reter Family - April 22, 2025 at 01:23 PM