



## George J. Kryder

June 17, 1932 - February 11, 2015

George Julian Kryder, 82, of Napoleon, died Wednesday February 11, 2015. George was born June 17, 1932 to Julian and Emilie (Freytag) Kryder. He died surrounded by his loving family.

George is survived by his wife Rita and their five children - Jeff Kryder (Becky), Jill Vincent (Ty), Jeanne Rodriguez (Manny), Jonathan Kryder (Crystal), and Joel Kryder (Rhonda), eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren - Daniel Kryder (Jenna) and their sons Keaton, Will, and Benjamin, Hannah Grimshaw (Cas) and their son Boone, Jessica Vincent, Nicholas Vincent, Benjamin Kryder, Christian Vincent, Andrea Rodriguez, Alex Rodriguez, Brynn Kryder, Alexa Kryder, and Cole Kryder.

He is also survived by his brothers, Thomas, David, Stephen, and Philip Kryder. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Nathan, and Daniel Kryder.

He married Rita (Riggs) on March 21, 1959 and was a devoted husband for 55 years.

George was raised on a dairy farm and had fond experiences milking and showing Jersey cows. He graduated from McClure High School in 1950. He attended Capital University where he played college baseball. He received his

B.S. in 1959. He served in the U.S. Army from 1952-1954. He was a member of the McClure Legion Post 332 and its military honor guard. He was a lifelong member of Emanuel Lutheran Church. He served on many committees through the years and was congregational board president several times. He taught Sunday school and catechism classes for many years.

In 1961, he and his brother Dan started an asphalt paving and excavating company that he operated for more than 40 years. He also actively farmed for most of those years.

He served on the board of the Filling Memorial Home of Mercy and on the Napoleon Public Library for 32 years and was several times president of each board. His influence was instrumental in the building of the McClure branch of the Napoleon Library. He also served on the board of the Lutheran Home of Napoleon.

He loved his farms, the woods, and working outdoors. While an outdoorsman and conservationist, he often had a book in tow, as he enjoyed history, westerns, and answering Jeopardy questions. He and Rita enjoyed dancing together, as George was quite adept at the jitterbug. In later years, he was often spotted early mornings at the Napoleon Golf Course. He loved to play all kinds of sports, eager to pick up a ball and play with his children and grandchildren. Even at age 80, he had a ball in his glove always ready for a game of catch.

Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 15 at Emanuel Lutheran Church, Napoleon. Interment will follow at Forest Hill Cemetery where military honors will be accorded.

Visitation will be held on Saturday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and Sunday from 1-2 p.m. at the church.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to: Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter, 2500 N. Reynolds Rd, Toledo OH, 43615; Bridge Home Health and Hospice, 1500 Birch Haven Lane, Findlay Ohio 45840; and Emanuel Lutheran Church of Napoleon.

Online condolences may be made at [www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com](http://www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **14**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

FEB **15**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Service

FEB **15**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Napoleon, OH 43545

# Tribute Wall

SS

“ Rita, Jeanne and family.....our sympathy and thoughts go out to you and your families. Take care,  
Sue (Behnfeldt) and Tim Shepard

Sue Shepard - February 16, 2015 at 11:38 AM

PB

“ My family's sympathy. We remember how George helped out so much at Tecumseh Woods Bible Camp while our parents, Louie and Bess Bockelman, were managing the camp.

PAUL L BOCKELMAN - February 14, 2015 at 08:32 PM

JS

“ Rita , Joel and family so sorry for your loss.  
Just good memories of George.



jim sworden - February 14, 2015 at 06:49 PM

MD

“ So very sorry to hear about the passing of George. We know how he will be missed.  
Marv and Judy Dickmann  
Napoleon, Oh. 43545

Marv & Judy Dickmann - February 14, 2015 at 02:12 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of George J. Kryder.*



February 13, 2015 at 03:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of George J. Kryder.*



February 13, 2015 at 12:16 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of George J. Kryder.*



February 13, 2015 at 10:27 AM



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**David Kryder** - February 12, 2015 at 09:10 PM

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David Cline - February 12, 2015 at 08:16 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of George J. Kryder.



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February 12, 2015 at 11:28 AM