



Herbert "Herb" Elling

August 25, 1955 - January 13, 2026

Herbert "Herb" Elling, 70, of rural Liberty Center, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at his home. He was born on August 25, 1955, in Napoleon, Ohio, to Eldor and Marcile "Sally" (Nye) Elling.

Herb was a 1975 graduate of Liberty Center High School and Four County Vocational Center. He spent several years working as a truck driver for Exceed Landscaping. Known for his hands-on skills, Herb took great pride in rebuilding his 1969 Nova, a true reflection of his love for classic muscle cars. Herb found peace in the outdoors. Whether cutting firewood, hunting mushrooms, or simply enjoying time outside, he was happiest when surrounded by nature. He valued hard work, simplicity, and spending time with those he loved most.

Above all else, Herb was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Teresa (Snyder) Elling; his children, Chad (Danielle) Elling, Andy (Nichole) Elling, and Kelly (Mike) Keysor; and his grandchildren, Jacob (Sara) Keysor, Delaney Keysor, Adalyn Elling, Kinley Elling, Benjamin Elling, Landen Elling, Caleb Elling, and Mariah Gerken. He is also survived by his sister, Virginia Rice, and his brother, Mike (Jackie) Elling. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Tom and Jim Elling; and his brother-in-law, Sam Rice.

A memorial gathering will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home in Napoleon, with a memorial service to follow at 3:00 p.m. A private Interment will take place at Heath-Colton

Cemetery on Monday January 19th.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Research Children's Hospital or a charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Heath-Colton Cemetery

Liberty Center, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

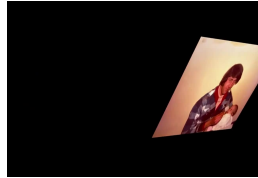
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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Video*



Rodenberger Funeral Home - January 28 at 01:13 PM

NA

“ We are so sorry to hear of Herb's passing. Our prayers are with all of you.

Randy & Nancy Gable

Nancy - January 17 at 11:55 AM

YL

“ Your friends at Exseed Landscape purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Herbert "Herb" Elling.



Your friends at Exseed Landscape - January 17 at 11:37 AM

TF

“ The Chapas, Alexander, Lacey and family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Herbert "Herb" Elling.



The Chapas, Alexander, Lacey and family - January 16 at 10:32 PM

AG

“ Very sorry for your loss. Wishing you moments of peace and comfort during this time.

Ankit Gandhi - January 15 at 01:06 PM

CF

“ Currier family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum* for the family of Herbert "Herb" Elling.



Currier family - January 15 at 11:48 AM

CF

“ Currier family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Herbert "Herb" Elling.

Currier family - January 15 at 11:48 AM

FF

“ From the Marvin Buchhop Family purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Herbert "Herb" Elling.



From the Marvin Buchhop Family - January 14 at 06:38 PM

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TH

“ To the Elling Family - We are so sorry for your loss. Herb taught me to ride a two-wheel bicycle when I was a child on our farm on County Road 10. I'll never forget him running behind me as he held onto the seat until I got my balance. He was a wonderful neighbor. May God grant you peace and comfort as you recall the fond memories of the times you were able to spend with him.



Tracey L Hoff - January 14 at 04:50 PM

TO

“ Tony lit a candle in memory of Herbert "Herb" Elling



Tony - January 14 at 02:20 PM

DT

“ I always enjoyed hearing stories from/about Herb. He was a great neighbor and friend to my kids, Melissa and Todd Carnahan and I know there will be a huge void in their lives and hearts.

Debbie Tiffany - January 14 at 11:28 AM

TE

Thank you Deb. Melissa and Todd are very special to us.

Teresa Elling - January 15 at 09:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Herbert "Herb" Elling.*



January 14 at 11:09 AM



“ *Your family at Custom Agri Systems planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Herbert "Herb" Elling.*

Your family at Custom Agri Systems - January 14 at 11:09 AM



“ *4 files added to the album Emmitsburg MD Visit*



Tony - January 14 at 10:23 AM