



Jeffrey John Ludeman

January 16, 1943 - August 27, 2023

Jeffrey John Ludeman, 80, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away on Sunday, August 27, 2023 at Defiance Inpatient Hospice. He was born on January 16, 1943 in Napoleon, Ohio to the late Albert “Casey” and Harriette (Ferguson). On May 8, 1971, Jeffrey married Sandra Magill at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon.

Jeff proudly served his country in the US Army as a Military Policeman and was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. He worked for General Motors for over 57 years. Jeff loved animals and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Jeff is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Sandy; grandson, Brandon Jackson; and great grandchildren, Syllis and Kyler Jackson. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Denise Jackson; son, Douglas Jackson; and brother, Clarence “Skip” Franz.

A Christian burial will be held at Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance, on Friday, September 1, 2023 at 1:00 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Henry County Humane Society. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com. Arrangements entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Memory Gardens

29321 County Rd 424
Defiance, OH 43512

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AA

“ Prayers go out to all, I served with Jeff in Berlin with the 287th MP company. Thank you for your service good and faithful servant Proud to know you. Rest in peace.

Albert Agurkis - September 25, 2023 at 09:47 AM

AE

“ Alan Eickholt lit a candle in memory of Jeffrey Ludeman



Alan Eickholt - August 29, 2023 at 07:42 PM

BL

“ From the frozen tundra of Korea to fields and forests of war-torn Europe to the jungles of Southeast Asia, from the deserts of Kuwait and Iraq to the mountains of Afghanistan, brave patriots have protected our nation’s ideals, rescued millions from tyranny, and helped spread freedom around the globe. America’s veterans answered the call when asked to protect our nation from some of the most brutal oppression the world has ever known.

Military service demands a special kind of sacrifice. The places where you are sent to live and serve bring risk every day. From the time you put on that uniform for the first time, the interests of the nation move to the forefront and define your life. Those duties are shared by family members who make many sacrifices of their own, sometimes bearing the burden of losing a loved one.

Service brings rewards as well. There is the pride in developing one’s own character, serving a cause far greater than self-interest. Every person who wears America’s uniform is part of a long, unbroken line of achievement and honor. No single military power in history has done greater good, shown greater courage, liberated more people or upheld higher standards of decency and valor than the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

That is a legacy to be proud of and those who contributed to it must never be taken for granted. To honor our veterans, we must keep the promises we have made to them. We must care for those who have been injured in the service of our country. We must honor and remember those who have died. And we must remember those whose fate is still undetermined. We fly the Prisoner of War flag on Veterans Day for a reason, to show that this nation will not relent until we have accounted for every one of our missing Americans. Thank you for your service. Thank you for all that you have sacrificed for this great nation. Thank you for being the backbone of America.

Brigadier General (Retired) Mark W. Lee, United States Army

BG (R) Dr. Mark W. Lee - August 29, 2023 at 05:56 PM

JK

“ Jeff is one of the first people I met @ GM in 1969. He has always been a class act. This world is a better place because Jeff was here! J Ken Kosch

J Ken Kosch - August 29, 2023 at 07:03 AM

DB

“ Deepest sympathies to Sandy and her family.

Debra Betts - August 28, 2023 at 08:59 PM