



Louis Fred Witte

July 13, 1928 - August 2, 2023

Louis Fred Witte, 95, of Hamler, Ohio passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 with his family by his side. He was born in Marion Township, Henry County, Ohio on July 13, 1928 to the late Fred and Emilie (Schuette) Witte. On May 1, 1949, he married Mary Alice Freytag at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon.

Louis was a lifelong member of Hope Lutheran Church, Hamler, where he served on several boards. He worked for Sherwin-Williams for 36 years before retiring but was always a farmer at heart. He appreciated looking at cars and loved his Allis-Chalmer tractors. Louis enjoyed playing games on his tablet and was especially good at playing a bowling app. He was a devoted father and grandfather who loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his children, Helen Witte, Joan (John) Von Deylen, William "Bill" Witte, David Witte, Linda (Gary) Kadesch, and Sandra (Edward) Updike; 10 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and sister, Loretta Seedorf. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 73 years, Mary Alice; daughter, Donna Witte; siblings, Lorenz (Alma) Witte, Leonhard (Edna) Witte, Lillian (Eldor) Fitzenreiter, Lula (Walter) Rickenberg; and brother-in-law, Edwin Seedorf.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home,

Napoleon, on Monday, August 7, 2023 from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM. Funeral services will be held at Hope Lutheran Church, Hamler, on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 11:00 AM with an hour of visitation prior to services. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hope Lutheran Church. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at [rodembergergray.com](https://www.rodembergergray.com).

Services will be livestreamed at <https://www.facebook.com/hopelutheranchurchhamler>

Cemetery Details

Hope - St. Stephens Lutheran Cemetery

Hamler, OH

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Public Viewing

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hope Lutheran Church
Hamler, OH

Funeral Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hope Lutheran Church
Hamler, OH

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Rodenberger Funeral Home - November 08, 2023 at 03:35 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of *Louis Fred Witte*.

August 06, 2023 at 01:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Louis Fred Witte*.



August 06, 2023 at 01:27 PM

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“ *Dear Family of Louis:
My memories of your father, which go back to the time when Ralferd and I first visited his Ohio family, include always seeing your father as a quiet loving contrast to your mother who was also loving but showed it with a hearty laugh and much lively conversation. We very much enjoyed our visits to their home every time we were in Ohio. These visits became mostly telephone visits in the last years. I know Louis cared deeply for his family because of the hard work he put into making that happen. Even though he was not one to talk too much about himself he was always a steadfast presence when we were there. I know you will all miss both your parents very much as they had been a "team" throughout your whole lives. May God give you comfort and healing in your sorrow.
Love, Harriet Freytag, Victoria, BC, Canada, along with Mary Grace and Eric.*

Harriet Freytag - August 05, 2023 at 12:10 PM

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“ *Bernie Weasel lit a candle in memory of Louis Witte*



Bernie Weasel - August 04, 2023 at 08:07 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louis Fred Witte.*

August 04, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Louis Fred Witte.*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louis Fred Witte.

August 04, 2023 at 06:59 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Louis Fred Witte.*



August 04, 2023 at 06:59 AM



“ *My sincere sympathy to the whole family*

Kathy Lieb - August 03, 2023 at 07:01 PM