



## Margaret Benecke

October 17, 2021

Margaret M. Benecke, 75, of Osseo, Michigan, formerly of Napoleon, Ohio died peacefully on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at University of Michigan Hospital. She was born August 15, 1946 in Napoleon, Ohio to the late Harold and Pauline (Elling) Miller. She graduated from Napoleon High school in 1964 and attended Bowling Green State University. She married Neal Benecke on May 9, 1970 at Luther Memorial Church, Tipton Falls, New Jersey, while he was stationed in the U.S. Army.

Margaret worked for Campbell Soup Company in purchasing for over 41 years and was a Campbell's Kid Mascot for many company events. Margaret, along with her husband are avid supporters of BGSU Athletics, members of the Falcon Club and ticket holders for men's basketball and football for over 45 years. She also enjoyed fountain Coke, gardening, her Bunco nights, family gatherings, trips to visit her children and grandchildren in South Carolina, hosting "Camp Bird Lake" with her nieces and nephews, and five-year anniversary trips back to Luther Memorial Church in Tipton Falls, New Jersey. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, where she was a Sunday school teacher and ladies guild member. She also helped tutor for the church school.

She is survived by her husband, Neal; children, David (Kathy) Benecke of Perrysburg, Ohio, Kristi (Chad) Maguire of Simpsonville, South Carolina, and Doug Benecke of Anderson, South Carolina; grandchildren, Grace and Brandon; Riley, Brady, and Kaitlyn; and Addison and Jacob; and siblings, Alvin

(Dorine) Miller, Mary Ann Ranzau, William "Bill" (Jo) Miller, Wilma (Jerry) Wolfe, Lorena (Ervin) Gobrogge, Esther (Rick) Storch, Kenneth (Doris) Miller, and sister-in-law, Joann Miller and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Miller.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 21st at St. Paul Lutheran Church 1075 Glenwood Ave. Napoleon, Ohio, where visitation will be held on Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. and Thursday 1 hour prior to the funeral. Interment will be held at Glenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Rogel Cancer Center Lymphoma Program. <https://leadersandbest.umich.edu/find/#!/give/basket/fund/312281?keyword=312281>

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

# Cemetery Details

## Glenwood Cemetery

Napoleon, OH 43545

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
1075 Glenwood Ave  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Visitation

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
1075 Glenwood Ave  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
1075 Glenwood Ave  
Napoleon, OH 43545

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 20, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 20, 2021 at 08:12 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 19, 2021 at 09:35 PM

DA

“ Dear Neal, my deepest condolences...Margaret was the nicest person ever, always a smile and so interested to speak to me. I am heartbroken for you and the family but you have such beautiful memories to guide you through.

Deb Armstrong  
Hillsdale, Mi.

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**Deb Armstrong** - October 19, 2021 at 07:13 PM

AG

My deepest condolences to Neal and his family. I worked with Margaret at Campbell's and I will always remember the kind and wonderful person she was with me. I remember her smile and her giggles. I am so heartbroken when I heard the news.

Liz Godwin  
Holgate, Ohio

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**Ana L Godwin** - October 21, 2021 at 05:19 AM

MM

“ MGC Emergency Medicine purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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**MGC Emergency Medicine** - October 19, 2021 at 05:31 PM

VG

“ Through all her struggles Margaret had a smile on her face. The gift of Heaven was given to her. She will be missed. God's blessings to your entire family.

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**Vicki Glick** - October 19, 2021 at 04:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 19, 2021 at 03:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 19, 2021 at 03:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 19, 2021 at 03:23 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 19, 2021 at 03:08 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



October 19, 2021 at 03:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



October 19, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray* was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



October 19, 2021 at 10:43 AM



“ *Kay Huston* purchased the *Garden Accent Stone - "If love could have saved you"* for the family of Margaret Benecke.



**Kay Huston** - October 19, 2021 at 10:10 AM

LW

“ Love Todd, Susan, Brody, Brent Wyckhouse purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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**Love Todd, Susan, Brody, Brent Wyckhouse** - October 19, 2021 at 09:28 AM

TS

“ Margaret was the best of the best! She was so much fun at our 45 years as a Bunco Babes. Her laugh was infectious. Sincere sympathy to Neal, David, Kristy and Doug. Our love, Tom and Susie Snyder

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**tom snyder** - October 19, 2021 at 08:46 AM

JM

Margaret was my first babysitter for my children when they were small. She was a wonderful young lady and the kids loved her. She was a friend and fellow Campbell Soup kid later on. Loved her laugh and since of humor. RIP dear Margaret. Prayers for the family on the loss of this beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend to many. You will be greatly missed. Hugs, Judy Michaelis

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**Judy A. Michaelis** - October 19, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 18, 2021 at 07:52 PM

DL

“ Always had a smile, such a hard worker, Margaret was always last one out of the office, her and David, and Dave would tell her time to go home. So glad we got to come visit her beautiful home in MI. Prayers and thoughts with Neil and the family, at this time of loss, memories can not be taken away!!!! Love to you all David and Deb Leavell, Matthew Leavell, Josh Harsh, Melissa and Skyler and Jennah . What a perfect picture!!!!



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**Deb Leavell** - October 18, 2021 at 06:48 PM

KH

*I will miss Margaret so much. Our Bunco nights won't be the same. Prayers and condolences to Neal and the family.*

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**Karen Harms** - October 19, 2021 at 08:46 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Benecke.



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October 18, 2021 at 06:31 PM