



## Merl Bauman

April 3, 1930 - July 10, 2017

Merl G. Bauman, 87, of Napoleon, Ohio was called to his heavenly home on Monday, July 10, 2017 at St. Luke's Hospital in Maumee, Ohio. He was born on April 3, 1930 in Napoleon, Ohio to the late Melvin and Florence (Lust) Bauman. On July 20, 1952 he married Lois Saneholtz in Napoleon, Ohio and she survives.

Merl was a lifetime farmer and also served his country in the US Army. He belonged to Malinta United Methodist Church. He was a member of the IOOF-Napoleon, Henry County Farm Bureau, Napoleon High School school board, Four County school board, Northwest State Community College board , advisory board at CCNO, Harrison Township Zoning Board, Harrison Grange member, and a member of the Bert G. Taylor American Legion Post. He loved music and played in the 4-H and FFA bands and danced in the Turkeyfoot Trotters. He played the saxophone and piano for his family often. He also enjoyed bowling, playing cards and going to Big G's for his morning coffee. He is survived by his wife, Lois; children, Ron (Shannon) Bauman of Napoleon, Ohio, Diane (Jim) Rosebrock of Westerville, Ohio, Cindy (Jeff) Kinkead of Toledo, Ohio, and Dean (RaAnn) Bauman of Napoleon, Ohio; grandchildren, Eric (Kristin) Bauman, Ashley (Jeremy) Fry, Greg (Sarah) Rosebrock, Jena (Blake) Lyon, Christy (Tom) Lehman, Cheri Kinkead, Scott Bauman, and Amy Bauman; great grandchildren, Cole and Kaylee Bauman, Elijah and Callie Fry, Addison and Gavin Rosebrock, Poppy Lyon and baby sister on the way, and Zach Lehman; sister, Wilda Steward of Napoleon, Ohio.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 15, 2017 at Rodenberger Funeral Home in Napoleon. Interment will follow at Hoy Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday at Rodenberger Funeral Home in Napoleon and one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Malinta United Methodist Church, American Heart Association, or charity of donors choice.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Hoy Cemetery

St. Rt. 109  
Napoleon, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

JUL 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Ellis family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Merl Bauman.*



The Ellis family - July 15, 2017 at 12:39 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.*



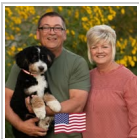
July 14, 2017 at 09:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.*



July 13, 2017 at 04:10 PM



“ *Our Sincere Sympathy to all of the Bauman Family. Merl was such a wonderful man and I'm sure will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends. Thinking of all of you!*



Kelly Bodenbender - July 13, 2017 at 02:21 PM

LY

“ I loved to hear Merl laugh. His laughter was so contagious, you just had to be happy when he was around. My thoughts and prayers to the family. I know you were a God Send when Jim passed away. You came and saved me and took me to Bob Evans and we had a fun evening of laughter and conversation. Miss you.

*Lynne Hustwick*

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**Lynne** - July 13, 2017 at 01:36 PM

RB

“ Randy&Debbie Burke lit a candle in memory of Merl Bauman



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**Randy&Debbie Burke** - July 13, 2017 at 11:06 AM



“ Heavenly Sentiments Spray was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.



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July 13, 2017 at 10:33 AM

MM

“ I had the privilege of getting invited to many Bauman family gatherings. Merl beamed watching his family playing volleyball, and enjoying his grandchildren and great grandchildren . I enjoyed playing pepper with him. He always had a smile on his face. My thoughts and prayers to the family.

*Missy Mackey*

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**Missy Mackey** - July 13, 2017 at 07:21 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.



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July 12, 2017 at 11:09 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.



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July 12, 2017 at 10:43 PM

EK

“ Edwin K. purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Merl Bauman.



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**Edwin K.** - July 12, 2017 at 05:28 PM

KC

“ Kick, Rita, Ray, Teresa, Chris, Derrick and Camden purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Merl Bauman.



Kick, Rita, Ray, Teresa, Chris, Derrick and Camden - July 12, 2017 at 12:49 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.



July 12, 2017 at 11:16 AM

SD

“ Cindy and Jeff, my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Sounds like he enjoyed life and was very active. Cherish all the great times and memories.

Sharon Dunn - July 12, 2017 at 10:30 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.



July 12, 2017 at 10:08 AM

BL

“ *Bethesda North Hospital-Speciality Leaders purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Merl Bauman.*



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**Bethesda North Hospital-Speciality Leaders** - July 12, 2017 at 08:21 AM

HB

“ *Merl and I played together constantly in six musical organizations during high school and since then we could always count on seeing Merl and Lois at Saneholtz reunions. Merl always radiated good will.*

*Howard Bond*

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**Howard Bond** - July 12, 2017 at 06:41 AM

KZ

“ *It is a shock to hear of Merls passing, especially since we had originally planned to visit last week before Dad decided he couldn't ride for 2 days. He and Lois were certainly Dads closest friends and made sure he was included in card playing and other events when he was in Ohio for the summers. Hard to believe we won't be playing pepper with him anymore. Dad mentions them daily and how he wished we were all closer.*

*Gods speed, well done good and faithful servant. You couldn't ask for a more reliable friend.*

*Kirk (and Ralph) Zimmerman  
Daytona Beach, FL*

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**Kirk Zimmerman** - July 11, 2017 at 11:12 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Merl Bauman.*



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July 11, 2017 at 04:41 PM



“ *We are very sorry to hear of Merl' s passing. Prayers for you all. Kathy &Steve Lieb*



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**Kathy Lieb** - July 11, 2017 at 04:04 PM



“ *It has been a privilege and a pleasure to know Merl and I can honestly say I've never known a kinder person. He will be greatly missed by all who have called him friend (or dad, Grandpa, or anything else). With a heavy heart, I am praying for us all. Pastor Susan St. Peter*

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**St Peter** - July 10, 2017 at 07:13 PM



*I had the pleasure of knowing Merl during his time volunteering at Henry County Hospital. It was always a pleasure to see his smiling face at the Welcome Center. His kindness and desire to make someone's day better was such a gift. Merl was a gift from God and I will be praying for you during this time of transition. Thank you for sharing him with us at the hospital.*

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**Michelle Rychener** - July 12, 2017 at 05:08 AM

PZ

*A man who made life better for so many, even if he just met him casually.*

*Phil and Susan Zimmerman*

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**Phil and Susan Zimmerman** - July 12, 2017 at 10:08 AM