



## Opal Sturdavant

May 25, 1937 - December 16, 2022

Opal I. Sturdavant, 85, of Napoleon, Ohio died Friday, December 16th, 2022 at Northcrest Nursing Home with her family by her side. She was born May 25th, 1937 in Richfield Township, Ohio to the late Lorenz and Irene (Kinder) Elling. She was a 1956 graduate of Liberty Center High School. On January 4, 1958 she married Neal Sturdavant at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Liberty Center, Ohio.

Opal was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. She was also a former member of Sharon United Methodist Church, where she served as a Sunday School teacher and many other church positions.

She enjoyed shopping and tending to her yard and flowers. Above all, she loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Neal; children, Joseph (Diane) Sturdavant, Cynthia (Donald) Keene, and Karen (James) Zumfelde; grandchildren, Jason (Traci) Sturdavant, Adam (May) Sturdavant, Joshua Keene, Kyle (Jessica) Keene, Kelsey (David) Rettig, and Jessica (Chris) Tolles; 12 great grandchildren; and siblings, Rosella (Jerry) Hannewald, Robert (Judy) Elling, and Glenna (Kennith) Helmke. She was also preceded in death by a grandson-in-law, Ben Herman; and sister, Iretha (Howard) Sleesman.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21st, 2022 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. Interment will follow at Hoy Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon and Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Alzheimer's Research and Prevention Foundation or St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.rodenbergergray.com](http://www.rodenbergergray.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hoy Cemetery

St. Rt. 109  
Napoleon, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

DEC **21**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

JN

“ Condolences to the whole family. I remember her kind heart and friendly manner. My grandmother would mention how Opal and Neal would pick her up to go to the retirees dinners. Very nice person.

Jim Nye - January 07, 2023 at 04:31 PM

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“ Allan & Cheryl Gerkenmeyer Rogers lit a candle in memory of Opal Sturdavant



Allan & Cheryl Gerkenmeyer Rogers - December 20, 2022 at 11:17 AM

AR

“ Neal and family so sorry to hear of Opal's passing. It was nice to meet you years ago to chat about the Hoy Family.

Allan & Cheryl Gerkenmeyer Rogers - December 20, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Opal Sturdavant.



December 20, 2022 at 10:53 AM

DK

“ A KIND AND WONDERFUL PERSON GOD WELCOMES ANOTHER ANGEL IN Heaven DON & Cecelia Keene

Donald Keene - December 20, 2022 at 10:09 AM



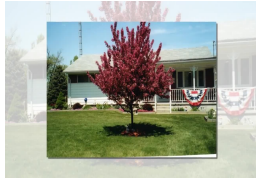
“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Opal Sturdavant.



December 19, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Video*



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**Rodenberger Funeral Home** - December 19, 2022 at 02:36 PM

SN

*Beautiful tribute video, you and Neil are a perfect inspiration of a beautiful marriage, thank you for being a part of my son and I lives, you will were the sweetest person, you will be missed as a friend and neighbor*

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**Stephen nawrocki** - December 20, 2022 at 12:33 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Opal Sturdavant.*



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December 19, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Opal Sturdavant.*



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December 19, 2022 at 02:38 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Opal Sturdavant.*



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December 18, 2022 at 09:23 PM

DH

“ Neal, Joe, Cyndi, Karen and family~my prayers are with you all during this difficult time. I remember plenty of times spent at your home in Shunk. I will cherish those memories. May God embrace you all and give you peace. Love, Dawn (Yocom) and Jon Hoops

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**Dawn Hoops** - December 17, 2022 at 08:46 PM