



Orthwein F. Kenneth

April 1, 2013

Kenneth F. Orthwein, 88, of Napoleon, Ohio died peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Monday, April 1, 2013 at the Napoleon Lutheran Home. He was born January 22, 1925 in Malinta, Ohio to the late Edwin & Matilda (Rettig) Orthwein. On November 21, 1948, he married Helen (Vance) Orthwein at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Flatrock Twp., Ohio, who preceded him in death on May 17, 2011. Ken co-owned and operated Harry & Ken's TV of rural Napoleon. He also built houses for Ralph Zimmerman Construction for several years. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon and was very active in their bible study classes. He served in the United States Army during WW II and was a member of the Napoleon American Legion Post #300. He enjoyed spending time in his garden and also helped at Uncle Rusty's Pepper Patch. He is survived by children, Sandra Corey (Ron Henrich) of Napoleon, Gary Orthwein of Malinta, Susan Kitchen of Malinta, Gwen (Steve) Watring of Kettering, Roger Orthwein of Stryker, and Russell Orthwein of Napoleon, 10 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, brother, Robert Orthwein of Napoleon, sisters, Geraldine Openlander and Dorothy Fundum, both of Malinta, and Margaret Straley of Napoleon. He was also preceded in death by a grandson, David Orthwein and son-in-law, Earl "Wire" Kitchen. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 4, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio. Interment will follow at Grelton Cemetery where military honors will be accorded by the Napoleon Joint Veteran Posts. Visitation will be held from 2-8 p.m. on Wednesday at

Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and Thursday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the church. The family suggest memorials be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Hospice of Henry County, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall



“ Very sorry for your loss. I suspect we are relation though I don't know if they still hold the Orthwein reunions any more. I was younger then (born 1947). My great grandfather was Jerry Orthwein. My grandmother was Ester (Orthwein) Miller, wife of Art Miller of rural Hamler. Other relatives were Will and Anna Orthwein and Rudy Orthwein of Hamler area. I worked with another relative, Art Orthwein of Holgate doing carpentry in Napoleon during the 1960's. I sometimes went with my grandfather, Art Miller, to the TV repair shop years ago. I'm the son of Isadora Miller, Art and Ester's daughter. 21826 Co. Rd. B50, Stryker, Ohio 43557 is my address. I didn't realize there are so many Orthwein's still in the area. All my best to you. - - Art Bradford###imported-begin##Art Bradford###imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Jon and Ellen Rettig###imported-begin##Jon & Ellen Rettig###imported-end##

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“ Your families are in our thoughts and prayers at this time of loss.###imported-begin##Mike & Robin Klein###imported-end##

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