



Paul A. Behnfeldt

April 21, 1936 - March 15, 2017

Paul A. Behnfeldt, 80, of Deshler, Ohio died Wednesday night, March 15, 2017 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Perrysburg.

He was born April 21, 1936 in Ridgeville Corners, Ohio to the late Ferdinand and Lorena (Rohrs) Behnfeldt. On August 14, 1971 he married Margaret "Peg" (VanHorn) Behnfeldt at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Ridgeville Corners. Paul was a Ridgeville High School graduate and received a Master's Degree in Education from Bowling Green State University. Paul was a teacher for 30 years at Patrick Henry Local Schools. He also worked 19 years as a sales associate at Wal-Mart Store #1718, Findlay and was previously a field inspector with the former DeKalb Seed Company, Deshler.

He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Deshler where he was active with church council and church choir; former member of Patrick Henry Board of Education; member of BGSU Alumni Association, NEA, OEA, NRA and Henry County Retired Teachers Association.

He is survived by his loving wife, Margaret "Peg" Behnfeldt; son, Ross (Natalie) Behnfeldt, Waynesville, Ohio; grandchildren, Harper (5) and Holden (3) and brother-in-law, John J. Miller, Ridgeville Corners.

He was also preceded in death by sister, Virginia Miller.

A Christian Gravside Service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 20 at St. Peter Lutheran Church Cemetery, County Road X, Ridgeville Corners, with Rev. Thomas Schutt officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to a local food pantry or a

charity of the donor's choice.

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Cemetery Details

St. Peter Lutheran Cemetery

CO RD X
Ridgeville Corners, OH 43555

Previous Events

Graveside Services

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SS

“ Paul Behnfeldt, meine Cousine, war zehn Jahre älter als ich. Ich schätze alle Erinnerungen, die über ihn geteilt wurden. Vor meinem geistigen Auge ich erinnere mich an ihn der Trompete in Lorena meine Tante und Onkel Ferd Wohnzimmer als kleines Kind. Er hatte ein besonderes Talent für Musik. Manche Menschen hören Musik; während andere... fühle mich Musik. Paulus war einer von denen, die Musik zu spüren, wie meine Mutter, als auch viele meiner Cousinen. Meine Mutter liebte es, Polka Tanz; Sie versuchte, mich zu lehren, aber diese steifen Beine nicht mit ihr mithalten konnte. Oh, sie die Musik und Tanz Liebe. Ich erinnere mich Onkel Orville das Akkordeon zu spielen.

Ich hatte die Gelegenheit, zweimal nach Deutschland reisen... nach Rodenberg, Deutschland. Es reisten wir durch ein zweistöckiges aus rotem Backstein Taverne/Inn zeigt stolz den Namen des Rohr davor mit übersichtlich gestalteten, grünen Sträuchern umgeben. Bauern wurden Holstein Kühe auf einer Weide in der Nähe Melken. Es erinnerte mich an meine Großmutter und Großvater Rohr rotes Backsteinhaus südlich von Ridgeville Ecken.

Ich wusste nicht von den Abenteuern des Paulus und seinem besten Freund David, während des Spielens Fang über U.S. Highway 6. Vor meinem geistigen Auge konnte ich nur Ihnen ausweichen Lastwagen und Autos mit ihren Fängen sehen. Wenn mein Onkel Al und Tante Vera Sonnenberg, Besitzer von der reinen Gas station nebenan seine Elternstation Sohio, würde gefangen haben, sie würden einen Riegel vorschieben haben!

Meine Gedanken und Gebete gehen in dieser Zeit der Trauer mit sein. Hoffentlich werden wir alle auf der gleichen Straße wie Paul im Himmel. Ich denke, Paul verstanden, dass wenn wir andere auf der Erde nicht helfen, wir nur Speicherplatz einnehmen. Gott segne euch alle!

Sharon Stecovich

Sharon Stecovich - March 20, 2017 at 02:09 PM

SS

“ Paul Behnfeldt, my cousin, was ten years older than me. I appreciate all memories that were shared about him. In my mind's eye, I remember him playing the trumpet in my Aunt Lorena and Uncle Ferd's living room as a young child. He had a special talent for music. Some people hear music; while others...feel music. Paul was one of those that felt music as did my mother, as well many of my cousins. My mother loved to polka dance; she tried to teach me too, but these stiff legs could not keep up with her. Oh, did she love the music and dance. I can remember Uncle Orville playing the accordion too.

I had the opportunity to travel to Germany twice...to Rodenberg, Germany. There we traveled by a two-story red brick tavern/inn proudly displaying the name Rohr's in front of it with neatly sculptured, green shrubbery surrounding it. Farmers were milking Holstein cows in a pasture nearby. It reminded me of my grandmother and grandfather Rohr's red brick home south of Ridgeville Corners.

I did not know of the adventures of Paul and his best friend David while playing catch across U.S. Highway 6. In my mind's eye, I could just see them dodging trucks and cars with their catches. If my Uncle Al and Aunt Vera Sonnenberg, owners of the Pure gas station next door his parent's Sohio station, would have caught them, they would have put a stop to that!

My thoughts and prayers go to be with during this time of sorrow. Hopefully we'll all be on the same street as Paul in Heaven. I think Paul understood that if we don't help others while on earth, we are just taking up space. God Bless all of you!

Sincerely,
Sharon Stecovich

Sharon Stecovich - March 20, 2017 at 02:02 PM



“ So sorry to hear this. Many fond memories of our years at PH. We are sending prayers to you and the family for comfort and peace.

Jim Oberhaus

Jim Oberhaus - March 20, 2017 at 06:49 AM

DW

“ *Debbie Wink lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeldt*



Debbie wink - March 18, 2017 at 01:45 AM



“ *Len Light lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeldt*



Len Light - March 18, 2017 at 01:33 AM

SU

“ *Sorry to hear of Mr. Behnfeldt's passing. Deepest sympathy to you. May God, family and friends comfort you in your time of sorrow.*

Sandy (Witte) Updike and family



Sandy Updike - March 17, 2017 at 11:42 PM

WC

“ Mrs. Behnfeldt and family so sorry to hear of Mr. B's passing. He was such a fun teacher and one of my favorites. I learned so much from him. I was in his class when we found out JFK had been assassinated. He was a very great and caring teacher.

Wanda Barney Challen - March 17, 2017 at 10:13 PM

SC

“ Sue (Henning) Christiansen lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeldt



Sue (Henning) Christiansen - March 17, 2017 at 06:44 PM

DT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

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in Concert 1-3, State Spirit and Ensemble Con-
1-2, Scholarship 1-3, Bore' Choir 1-2, All State
Band 1-3, Bore' State 1-2, Junior Pilot 1-2, State
School 1-2, Area Manager 1-2, High School
1-2, Annual Staff 4, Service Scholarship 4.



david toles - March 17, 2017 at 04:33 PM

DT

“ Paul (PB) and I were good friends from the time we met in the first grade. His Father used to run the Sohio Gas Station and my Father ran the Gulf Gas Station almost across the road from each other. We used to play pitch and catch on the sidewalk across the street from his Father's station. When one of us got a gas customer we would stop playing long enough to fill that person's car up with gas, wash the windshield, check the oil, radiator fluid, and tire pressure and receive the customer;s payment.

Sometimes Paul did not want to be bothered with having a gas customer. I can see him (in my mind's eye right now) lifting up his baseball glove, slamming it on the ground and graciously taking care of his customer.

He was honest, trustworthy, considerate, respectful all the things that make a good friend.

I am sorry for your loss family. But I am happy he does not have to deal with the cares of this world any more.

Jesus said, "In My Father's House are many mansions..... I go there to prepare a place for you."

I would be honored if I could live on Paul's street close to his mansion.

david toles --Houston, TX

david toles - March 17, 2017 at 12:29 PM



“ *Rebecca Dew lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeltdt*



Rebecca Dew - March 17, 2017 at 10:47 AM



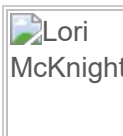
“ *So sorry to hear that Mr. Behnfeltdt passed away. Lost Dad in November and he said that everytime he ran into Mr. Behnfeltdt he asked about me. Always was one of my favorite teacher. He will be sorely missed by many people. My sympathies to his family. Rebecca (Becky Spangler) Dew*

Rebecca Dew - March 17, 2017 at 10:47 AM



“ *I was saddened to hear of his passing. Mr. Behnfeltdt was one of the best teachers we had at Deshler High School, a guy who made classes fun. I haven't lived in Deshler for 45 years, but I am glad I got to see him and chat with him during our class reunion in June. Our sympathies and, I'm sure, the sympathies of all he taught, are with his family at this time.*

Lynn Burke - March 17, 2017 at 10:37 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family!!*



Lori McKnight - March 17, 2017 at 10:35 AM

KB

“ So sorry for your loss Peg & Ross. I did not know Paul was ill.



karren blue - March 17, 2017 at 05:45 AM

LR

“ I have many fond memories of Mr. Behnfeldt in high school. He was a great teacher. I also got to know him in later years. It took me a long time to be able to call him Paul. It seemed disrespectful somehow. I think my friends & I gave Paul & Larry Kruse a few gray hairs when we were in high school, good old DHS. Peg, Ross & family, you have my sincere condolences. Lynn Shough Reimund

Lynn Reimund - March 16, 2017 at 11:04 PM

RO

“ Royann lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeldt



Royann - March 16, 2017 at 08:41 PM

RR

“ Ron & Barb Rosebrook lit a candle in memory of Paul A. Behnfeldt



Ron & Barb Rosebrook - March 16, 2017 at 07:45 PM

PW

“ *I'm so sorry.....I know some special people
in Heaven that will make him comfortable.....*



Pam Walther - March 16, 2017 at 05:27 PM