



Ray Emmel Gordon Jr.

April 8, 1945 - January 21, 2025

Ray Emmel Gordon Jr, 79, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away at CHP Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. He was born in Napoleon, Ohio on April 8, 1945, to the late Ray Gordon Sr. and Dorothy (Puckett) Gordon.

Ray served his country proudly in the United States Army during the Vietnam War where he earned a purple heart for his service. He was a member of the Napoleon American Legion Post 300. Ray was a graduate of Defiance College who earned his bachelor's degree in accounting. He was an avid golfer and bowler during his younger years where he won many trophies with his bowling. He loved to cheer for the Chicago Bears, Cleveland Browns, Cincinnati Bengals or any NFL football games that were on tv. Ray also loved music and would often play his guitar to different songs.

Ray is survived by his loving wife, Marilyn; stepchildren, Crystal Bussell, Cathy Panning, Jim (Linda) Kruse, and Tami (Scott) Campbell; 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Ray is preceded in death by his parents and his step-son-in-law, Philip Panning.

Services will be private for the family and have been entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made out to a Humane Society of your choice and CHP Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center. Online condolences can be made online at www.rodenbergergray.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Marilyn ,I am so sorry to hear about Ray passing. Please know how very much I am thinking and praying for you. Love to you and your family. Pam Nicholson*

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