



## Raymond J. Maassel

April 18, 1923 - October 22, 2016

Raymond J. Maassel, 93, of Deshler, Ohio passed away peacefully on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Henry County Hospital in Napoleon, Ohio. He was born on April 18, 1923 in Hamler, Ohio to the late William and Amelia (Arps) Maassel. On September 15, 1946, he married Emma Wilhelmina Inselmann at St. John's Lutheran Church of Deshler, Ohio.

Ray was a farmer and carpenter for Christman Bros. Builders in Deshler, Ohio for 30 years. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hamler, Ohio where he was a former Elder and Trustee. He enjoyed doing woodworking projects for the church and others, as well as fishing and polka music. He also enjoyed many years advising 4-H members with their many projects. Ray was a proud member of the Hamler Legion Post 262, serving in the US Navy in WWII as a Motor Machinist Mate-Third Class aboard the LSM167.

He is survived by his loving wife, Emma, of Deshler, Oh and children, James L. (Karen) Maassel of New Bavaria, Oh, David W. (Connie) Maassel of Hamler, Oh, Mary Ann Maassel (Colleen Otto), of Holgate, Oh, grandchildren, Shannon (Ron) Nabors, Tara (Mark) Williams, Jaclyn (Keith) Roach, Aaron (Lisa Carter) Maassel, Monica (Nick) Nye, Dawn (Dan) Yates, Adam (Mary) Maassel, Melissa (Nick) Rausch, 17 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren, brother, Louis (Jean) Maassel of Maryland, sisters, Edna Panning of Indiana, Elda Dehnbostel of California, Helen Imbrock of Iowa. He was preceded in death by brother-in-laws, Arnold Imbrock, Ruben Panning

and Rudy Dehnbostel.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church , Hamler, with Pastor Douglas DeWitt officiating. Interment will follow at the church cemetery with military honors provided by Hamler Legion Post 262.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral Home in Napoleon and Wednesday, from 10 - 11 a.m. prior to the services at the church.

Memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Hamler, or the Stephen Ministry.

# Cemetery Details

## Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery

G-983 St. Rt. 109  
Hamler, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **25**. 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)

## Service

OCT **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
G-983 St. Rt. 109  
Hamler, OH 43524

# Tribute Wall

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“ Terry And Sue Rettig lit a candle in memory of  
Raymond J. Maassel



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**Terry and Sue Rettig** - October 27, 2016 at 06:46 AM

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“ Hi Ray's family,

*I remember Ray for his kindness to me at Family get together's, especially at the annual Arthur and Louise Arps fish fries.*

*Ray and my birthday was April 18th, so we would pretend to be Paul Revere riding horses warning British soldiers were coming, in Art and Louise summer kitchen, when I was a toddler. In the later years, when we tore off Art and Louise summer kitchen for the new two car garage, Ray was there helping Ron Arps, Don Dickmann and others there.*

*Another special moment was when Ray and I would set next to each other at Hamler Bank annual meetings, when I would go with my parents Ed and Ruth Bahler. Ray would always make sure I was listening, answer my private questions and eating the correct piece of pie in front of us.*

*Ray always introduced his boys and girl to me, with their names and to this day, I still remember when I see them, when Nancy and I travel to Henry county for family events.*

*It's to bad we age, because the older we get, the further we separate from each other and become unaware what is happening around us, until announcements like this shocks us.*

*I will always remember Ray and his family. Again, God bless your family from Ken and Nancy Bahler in Findlay Ohio.*



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**Ken & Nancy Bahler** - October 25, 2016 at 07:54 AM

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“ Ken & Nancy Bahler lit a candle in memory of Raymond J. Maassel



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**Ken & Nancy Bahler** - October 25, 2016 at 07:13 AM

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“ The David Dirr Family and The Mike Murphy Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Raymond J. Maassel.



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**The David Dirr Family and The Mike Murphy Family** - October 23, 2016 at 12:39 PM