



Rex Allen Mason

July 12, 1947 - January 5, 2019

Rex Allen Mason, 71, of Waterville, OH, passed away on January 5, 2019, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio in Toledo, OH, due to complications of diabetes. He was born on July 12, 1947, in Wauseon, OH, and raised on the family farm in McClure, OH. Rex graduated from Damascus Local High School (McClure) in 1966 and served in the U.S. Army from 1967 to 1969, stationed in Seoul, Korea.

He is one of two children born to the late Eugene and Ruth (Rohrbaugh) Mason and was the beloved husband of Carol (Johnson) Mason for over 44 years. Rex will forever be remembered by his children, Janell (Jeffery) Miller of Grand Rapids, OH, and Jeffrey (Emily) Mason, of McClure, OH; and treasured by his grandchildren, Maya, Layne, and Nora Mason, and Blake and Aubree Miller. He is also survived by his sisters-in-law, Sandra (Bernard, d.) Mason of McClure, OH, Ruth (Charles) Labie of Napoleon, OH, Nancy (Charles) Haton, Palm Bay, FL, and brother-in-law, Philip (Linda) Johnson, Napoleon, OH. He was blessed with beautiful nieces and nephews along with countless other friends and family whom were dear to him.

After serving in the military, Rex returned home and worked with the Arthur S Langenderfer Paving (later known as Northern Ohio Asphalt & Paving), but his love was always to farm. Due to the untimely death of his father, Rex and his brother, Jake, farmed together as Mason Brothers. Upon his brother's retirement, Rex achieved his ultimate goal of working side by side with his son, Jeff, as Mason Family Farms, with daughter, Janell, also lending a hand

when possible. They produced corn, soybeans, and wheat. He also was an assistant with Mason Seed Sales. Rex valued the lost practice of cultivating the crops "to make stuff cleaner" and to "turn up the black dirt" His other fond memory was cutting wheat with his first new L3 Gleaner combine years ago. Rex and Carol were high school sweethearts, a relationship that started once Rex finally asked Carol for the "last skate" at a roller-skating party at the Napoleon Skating Rink as teenagers. In high school, Rex loved the game of basketball, and continued through life enjoying bowling, playing cards, and throwing for dartball games at Zion. As a couple, Rex and Carol enjoyed Friday night dinner dates, road trips and cruises with special friends, attending grandchildren events, NASCAR and sprint car races, and tractor pulls. One of his favorite passions was teaching his grandchildren the unique art of farming that also included great conversations that included fun songs and stories shared in the cab of the tractor in the field or the semi-truck when traveling to the grain elevator. Rex will be remembered for his sense of humor and quick wit, never failing to make others laugh, and his skill at Texas Horseshoes at the annual family camping weekends.

Rex was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church in Malinta, OH; was a former member of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church in McClure, OH, where they were married and had their children baptized; and currently a member of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church in Waterville, OH. He was also a member of the Farm Bureau Land Lovers Council, American Legion Post 332 in McClure, OH, and was a life member of the Anthony Wayne FFA Alumni.

Rex was predeceased by his parents; brother, Bernard; parents-in-law, Ivan and Catharine (Shaffer) Johnson; and brother- and sister-in-law, Derry and Janice (Johnson) Middleton.

Funeral service will be held at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019 at Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Waterville, Ohio. Interment will follow at Hockman Cemetery, McClure, Ohio, where military honors will be accorded by the McClure American Legion.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral

Home, 1010 Westmoreland Ave. Napoleon, Ohio and Wednesday from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, please consider memorials to the American Legion Post 332,230 S East St, McClure, OH 43534; Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, 22 N Second St, Waterville, OH 43566; or to Hospice of NW Ohio, 800 S. Detroit Ave, Toledo, OH 43609.

Cemetery Details

Hockman Cemetery

100 Township HWY O4
Corner of County Road O4 and Township
Road 3A
McClure, OH 43534

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church
22 N 2nd St
Waterville, OH 43566

Service

JAN 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church
22 N 2nd St
Waterville, OH 43566

Tribute Wall

LY

“ *Linda Yeager lit a candle in memory of Rex Allen Mason*



Linda Yeager - January 23, 2020 at 10:39 PM

NN

“ *Dear Carol and Family, so sorry to hear of Rex's passing. Carol and I worked together at O-I and in retirement we both enjoyed attending Golden Emblem luncheons. We would sit together and she would update me on her family and the farm. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.*

Nancy Navarre

Nancy Navarre - January 15, 2019 at 07:21 PM

BH

“ *Carol & Family,
Sorry to hear about Rex. I've always known him with a big smile and a kind word. Rex was a great example of what many men aspire to be and may your fond memories of him be of comfort to you.
With Deepest Sympathy,
Bernie & Jan Hockman*

Bernie Hockman - January 14, 2019 at 09:23 PM

AC

“ He was a very dear friend of my mom and farmed my grandparents farm for many years. Prayers to the entire family.



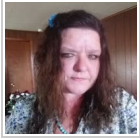
Andrea Creamer - January 10, 2019 at 01:28 PM

PY

“ Philip Yeager lit a candle in memory of Rex Allen Mason



Philip Yeager - January 09, 2019 at 05:39 PM



“ I send my sincere sympathy to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time



Lisa Tolles - January 09, 2019 at 10:12 AM

JG

“ Jeff and Emily- so sorry to hear of Rex's passing. He always left everyone feeling happier after visiting with him and always had a smile on his face . He will be missed but will also be fondly remembered! Jay Guelde

JAY GUELDE - January 09, 2019 at 08:55 AM

JB

“ Dear Mason Family, my thoughts and prayers are with you all, I had the pleasure of working not only with Rex but the family on several projects on there farm; Rex was fun to work with & quite humorous. Im sure he will be keeping watch from far above. God Bless ,
John Berry, Grand Rapids Ohio

John Berry - January 08, 2019 at 09:53 PM

LY

“ Took me many years to call Dude "Rex" for he will always be Dude in my heart. Dude and his family lived around a country corner from our farm home. His parents were always willing to give a helping hand to my parents and they did the same. Over the years Dude has also been there to lend a helping hand to my parents, my sister and her husband and our farm. They and I always knew he could be counted on for anything. He is one of the "good guys", "a true country farmer" and he will be truly missed by one and all.



Linda Brubaker Yeager - January 08, 2019 at 10:29 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rex Allen Mason.



January 08, 2019 at 09:29 AM

JG

“ Dear Carol, Janelle, Jeff and families!! I hold you all in my heart and prayers! God now has a very special angel along with some other very special ones we also know! So sorry I am not there to give you all special hugs and care but pray you are getting special care from a very special young man!! Only God knows but we assured by God's promises we will again be reunited!! God's love and blessings are with you!! Hugs!! Jerrie and Ken

Jerrie Gray - January 07, 2019 at 08:08 PM

BB

“ Dear Carol and Family, Rog and I send our sincere sympathy to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Barb (Drewes) Bostdorff

Barbara Bostdorff - January 07, 2019 at 06:32 PM

TM

“ The Mathewsons' purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Rex Allen Mason.



The Mathewsons' - January 07, 2019 at 05:02 PM

 Darlyn Shumaker

“ Sympathies to Rex Mason family. Carol God blessed you with a wonderful husband and children.
Jack C. & Darlyn Shumaker

Darlyn Shumaker - January 07, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ *Darlyn Shumaker lit a candle in memory of Rex Allen Mason*



Darlyn Shumaker - January 07, 2019 at 02:46 PM



“ *Tom and Laurie Ryan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rex Allen Mason.*



Tom and Laurie Ryan - January 07, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Rex Allen Mason.*



January 07, 2019 at 09:23 AM



“ *Carol and family. Darrel and I extend our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Great memories will always be with you. God will take care.*

darrel and sharon rettig - January 07, 2019 at 08:37 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Rex Allen Mason.*



January 06, 2019 at 11:57 PM



“ *I am sorry to hear of Rex's passing. I only know him as Dude and the boys. As he has farmed my families farm land. And became like family to my mom and her family. I know you will be missed tremendously. Sending our thoughts and prayers from Nebraska The Hunter's*

Brianna Hunter - January 06, 2019 at 08:36 PM



“ *Our Sympathy to Carol and her family. Diane and Rick Roehl*

Diane and Rick Roehl - January 06, 2019 at 04:53 PM



“ *Mary Kieffer Family lit a candle in memory of Rex Allen Mason*



Mary Kieffer family - January 06, 2019 at 03:07 PM

TF

“ *The Mary Kieffer family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rex Allen Mason.*



The Mary Kieffer family - January 06, 2019 at 02:53 PM