



Robert Hershberger

February 7, 1935 - May 22, 2023

Robert “Bob” Neil Hershberger, 88, passed away on Monday, May 22, 2023 at Genacross Lutheran Services, Napoleon after a brief illness.

Robert was born in Monroe Township, Henry County, Ohio, to Maud “Hazel” Hershberger on February 7, 1935. He was baptized on April 5, 1936 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Malinta and confirmed on June 5, 1949 at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Napoleon. Bob Graduated from Napoleon High School in 1953.

On November 4, 1956, Robert married Marilyn E. Rosebrock, who survives along with their two children, Scott (Laura) Hershberger of Ottawa, Ohio and Pam Hershberger of Maumee, Ohio; three grandchildren, Danielle (Steve) Dickman, Adam (Kerry) Hershberger, and Grant (Carly) Hershberger; and four great grandchildren, Emma and Kate Dickman, Brody and Baylor Hershberger, and one on the way in September. Also surviving is his brother Jerry (Marilyn) Hershberger of Napoleon. Robert was preceded in death by his mother and siblings, Erma (Hersh) Ludeman, Howard (Irma) Overhulse, and Jim (Arlene) Hershberger.

Robert worked for his brother at Howard’s Friendly Service Station for 16 years and then for CF Gerken and Gerken Paving for 36 years, where he was lovingly referred to as Uncle Bob. After retiring, he mowed for the City of Napoleon Parks and Rec Department. Robert was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon for 54 years, serving as a trustee and an usher.

Robert served in the Army Reserves for six years. He was a hard worker and was well known for his cleanly washed cars, his well-trimmed trees, and his large garden. He loved to play cards and watch his beloved Detroit Tigers. In his later years, he was well known for pushing his grocery cart down the street to get the daily mail. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother who will be so missed by all who loved him.

Family and friends may visit the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Funeral Services will be held on May 25, 2023, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon at 11:00 a.m. with an hour of visitation prior to services. Interment will follow at Glenwood Cemetery with military honors accorded by the Napoleon American Legion Post #300.

Memorial Contributions in Robert's name may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church or a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.rodenbergergray.com.

The family would like to thank the nurses and the aides at Genacross and Henry County Hospital for their loving care.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY **24.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545

Public Viewing

MAY **25.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
1075 Glenwood Ave
Napoleon, OH 43545

Funeral Service

MAY **25.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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1075 Glenwood Ave
Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Video*



Rodenberger Funeral Home - November 07, 2023 at 03:56 PM



“ My Tom was always fond of Bob, when they worked at Gerkens !
And now I am sure that they are reminiscing those days in heaven
!!! He was a great man, and will be surely missed! Naomi Good

Naomi Good - May 25, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Hershberger.

May 24, 2023 at 09:52 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Hershberger.



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“ *The Golf Ladies purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert Hershberger.*



The Golf Ladies - May 24, 2023 at 08:58 AM

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“ *Marilyn and family,
Bob was one of a kind. I remember being afraid of him when he was my bus driver when I was young, to absolutely loving every opportunity that I got to work with him at Gerkens. He had a way of making work fun even though the work was hard and the days were long. I missed him when he retired, but was always happy to be able to see him at parties. What a wonderful man.
You have my deepest sympathies.*

Verna - May 23, 2023 at 04:38 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Hershberger.*



May 23, 2023 at 12:05 PM