

## Robert K. Miller Sr.

May 18, 1922 - February 18, 2022

Robert K Miller, Sr., 99, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2022 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Toledo, Ohio on May 18, 1922 to Wesley and Marjorie (Comstock) Miller. On September 29, 1946, Robert married the love of his life Erma (Bowers) Miller in Columbus, Ohio. They were married for 69 wonderful years before she passed in 2015.

Robert's family and friends were the most important things in his life. He loved to entertain and treasured hosting gatherings with them. He enjoyed traveling with Erma and later in life with Bob, Jr, David, and Don. Camping with his boys and friends was a passion for Bob. He relished attending his grandchildren's school events and spending time with his great-grandchildren. Robert always had a smile on his face and was eternally positive. He and Erma filled their lives and the lives of others with laughter, love, and happiness.

Robert graduated from McClure High School in 1939. He served as a 1st Lt. USAF Pilot in the United States Army during World War II. He graduated from Bliss Business College in Columbus, and then returned to McClure.

He joined and eventually ran Miller Insurance Agency that his father founded. He loved his job, especially because his customers became his friends and he enjoyed helping them. Robert was one of the first agents in the area to earn

his CPCU. He was considered a leader in the field, won multiple awards, and was well-respected by his peers. He was forward-thinking and innovative throughout his insurance career.

He was very invested in his community and was always focused on assisting and caring for others. He served as Mayor of McClure, working with council and community members to install a town-wide water system. Robert's faith was very important to him. He was a very active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in McClure, Ohio. He was president of Church Council and was instrumental in helping to start the adult Sunday School class.

Robert is survived by sons, David (Terri) Miller and Don Miller; daughter-in-law, Trish Miller; grandchildren, Andrew (Jena) Miller, Amanda (Kory) Rockhold and Jeff Miller; great grandchildren, Xavier and Abigail Miller, and Gabriel Rockhold; brother-in-law, George Pratt; best friend, Edna Alspaugh; and many dear cousins, nieces, and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Erma; sons, Robert Jr. and Richard Miller; sister, Margaret Pratt; stepmother, Susie (Cooper) Miller; stepsisters, Mary Smith and Dorothy Sauer; brothers-in-law, Don Bowers, Paul Bowers and Eldon Swoyer; sisters-in-law, Ruth Bowers and Jeanette Swoyer.

A Memorial Gathering will be held at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, McClure, on Saturday, March 12, 2022, from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM. A Celebration of Life Service followed by a luncheon will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, McClure, on Sunday, March 13, 2022, at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church or the Lima Convalescent Home Foundation. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Hockman Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

MAR 12. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

McClure Funeral Home  
310 Frank Street  
McClure, OH 43534  
(419) 748-8011  
[help@rodenbergergray.com](mailto:help@rodenbergergray.com)

## Celebration of Life Service

MAR 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, McClure  
155 Depot St.  
McClure, OH 43534

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathy to Dave, Don, Trish, and other family and friends. We are sorry for your loss but happy for Bob because we know where he is - in the arms of Jesus and with Erma and Bob Jr. and other loved ones in heaven. What a dear man of God! So many good memories growing up in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in McClure. I remember Bob's smile and laugh and encouragement. Both Bob and Erma were loving and caring people. You all have been instrumental in helping us grow in our Christian walk. How blessed we have been to have you in our lives! May God bless and keep you always!!! Love you, Becky (Huber) Kellum and all the Huber family

Kellum, Becky - March 11, 2022 at 10:06 AM

SS

“ I will always remember Bob and Irma. They were dear friends of my grandparents Bib and Marlyn Shaffer. And therefore family friends to rest of us. I often thought of them as a young child along with Bob and Sarah Rowland as extended family members like aunts and uncles. They were instrumental in the formation of my faith whether or not they realize it because of how they lived. Especially with Bob Miller, the love of Jesus was written all over his face. I am thankful to have known them.

Suzanne Shaffer - March 10, 2022 at 08:17 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Robert K. Miller Sr..



March 09, 2022 at 06:26 PM

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“ *Dave & Family,*

*I always enjoyed seeing your dad at church. He was such a friendly man. May pleasant memories bring you comfort and peace.*

*Cinda Rismiller*

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**Cinda Rismiller** - March 09, 2022 at 04:49 PM

PH

“ *The Staff of Putnam County Hospice sends our deepest sympathy for your loss. We will keep Robert and all his family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.*



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**Putnam Co Hospice** - February 22, 2022 at 10:15 AM

FP

“ *I remember Mr. Miller very well from when I was a young boy in McClure. I remember that my parents bought insurance through him as did many who lived in McClure. Most of all, I remember how very kind and nice he was as a person. In my memory, he is always either smiling or laughing. He was blessed with a very long life. Deepest condolences to all the Miller family.*

*Frank Pittman*

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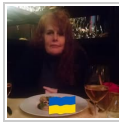
**FRANK PITTMAN** - February 21, 2022 at 10:55 AM

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*I remember Bob and Erma they  
Had a strong faith, a deep  
love for one another and a love  
For Church and Community my  
Sympathy to Dave and Don and  
Trish and all their family and  
friends Pastor Richard Weaver  
and Darlene from 1999-2004*

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**Rev RichardWeaver** - February 21, 2022 at 08:48 PM



*I was lucky enough to be Bob Miller's niece, and I have so many happy memories of summers with Erma and Bob and all you wonderful Miller boys. We had so many adventures as an extended family - camping, having cookouts, swimming and fishing, or just playing outside until the sun was low in the sky and our mothers called us in for dinner. In my memories of Uncle Bob, he is usually smiling, often laughing, and always, always kind. I don't know if I can think of another person in my life who I never saw say an unkind word, scold anyone, or display moodiness of any kind. Further proof of your father's goodwill was his dog, Tiny - a hideous, ill-tempered chihuahua who growled at everyone and snapped at our whole family. But he never growled at Uncle Bob. Even Tiny loved your dad, which is to me proof that it was impossible not to love him. I will miss him dearly, but I will never forget his easy laugh or his beautiful, smiling face.*

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**Carole Bugge** - March 07, 2022 at 04:09 PM