



Ruth Ann Behnfeltdt

October 11, 1938 - April 19, 2026

Ruth Ann Behnfeltdt, 87, of McClure, Ohio passed away on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at Grand Rapids Care Center. She was born in Napoleon, Ohio on October 11, 1938, to the late Carl and Mildred (Anthony) Rowland. On October 12, 1957, Ruth married Walter Behnfeltdt at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon.

Ruth was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, McClure, where she was instrumental in the food pantry. She was also a member of the McClure American Legion Auxiliary. Ruth enjoyed camping and wintering in Florida. She loved going to auctions and sales to collect antique furniture and glass.

Ruth is survived by her children, Scott Behnfeltdt and Sue (Tim) Shepard; grandchildren, Katie Shepard, Emily (Brandon) Johnston, and Olivia Behnfeltdt; great grandchildren, Karlie, Ellie, Aubree, Liliana, Kastin, and one on the way; and former daughter-in-law, Pat Behnfeltdt. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; and siblings, Bob (Sarah) Rowland and June (Bill) Heckler.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, McClure, on Thursday, April 23, 2026, from 2:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Funeral services will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church, McClure, on Friday, April 24, 2026, at 11:00 AM with an hour of visitation prior to services. Interment will

follow at Hockman Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Henry County Humane Society, or Henry County Hospital Foundation. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com.

Cemetery Details

Hockman Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR **23**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home
310 Frank St
McClure, OH 43534
(419) 748-8011

Public Viewing

APR **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

APR 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

BC

“ *BONNIE Croninger lit a candle in memory of Ruth Behnfeldt*



BONNIE Croninger - April 23 at 12:48 PM

PB

“ *Pat B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Behnfeldt.*

Pat B. - April 21 at 03:18 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Ann Behnfeldt.*

April 21 at 03:16 PM

SR

“ *I knew Ruth Ann as Blondie. We were cheerleaders together at McClure High School. She was a senior along with senior Judy Johnson, Junior Ruth Helen Johnson (now Labie) and myself sophomore Sharon Hoffman (now Rettig). We lived close to each other on highway 65. I moved away after high school. I saw Ruth Ann when she and Judy came to my brother in law's Skip Rettig's funeral in 2013. I have fond memories of Ruth Ann living in McClure and our time at McClure High School. My sympathy to her family.*



Sharon Hoffman Rettig - April 21 at 12:54 PM

SU

*Thank you Sharon for the kind words and memories!
Ruth's daughter, Sue*

Sue - April 21 at 07:30 PM

TJ

“ Tam's family Todd Tami Dana Jake Joyce purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ruth Ann Behnfeldt.



Tam's family Todd Tami Dana Jake Joyce - April 20 at 07:52 PM

TJ

“ Tam's family Todd Tami Dana Jake Joyce planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Behnfeldt.

Tam's family Todd Tami Dana Jake Joyce - April 20 at 07:52 PM



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Rodenberger Funeral Home - April 20 at 01:50 PM