



Ward Charles Hogrefe

August 9, 1936 - September 3, 2021

Ward Charles Hogrefe, 85, of Liberty Center, Ohio passed away Friday, September 3, 2021, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. He was born August 9, 1936, to Carl and Beulah (Henricks) Hogrefe. He graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1954. In 1956 he married Kathleen Lemon of Napoleon, Ohio. This year they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. After graduating from high school, Ward worked at Champion Spark Plug in Toledo, retiring in 1988. He also mowed and cared for the cemeteries of Liberty Township.

Ward was a lifelong member of Victory Chapel United Brethren Church. For many years he enjoyed playing on several fast-pitch and slow-pitch softball teams. He also coached Little League and organized an All-Star travel team. Ward enjoyed and took great pride in his garden, especially sharing the harvest. More than anything, his life centered around his faith and his family.

Ward is survived by his wife, Kathleen; daughters, Pat (Terry) Walter, Peg Gilgenbach, Pam Born, and Paula (Tom) Moriarty; grandchildren, Kristen (Mike) Shaneyfelt, Kelly (Gary Epley) Borstelman, Justin (Becky) Winters, Steve (Taylor) Walter, Kate (Ben) Pflum, Megan Born, Brian (Caitlyn) Moriarty, and Allison (Zack Rolf) Moriarty; 17 great grandchildren; sisters, Arlene Frank and Carol (Charlie) Hazlett; and brother-in-law, Rich (Lisa) Lemon. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Ken Hogrefe, brother-

in-law, Dale Frank; sisters-in-law, Cindy Lemon and Colleen Hogrefe; and son-in-law, Larry Born.

At Ward's request, there will be no visitation. A private memorial service for the family only will be held at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon. Interment will be at Forest Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Victory Chapel Church, B.A. Miller Field at the Liberty Center Sports Complex or Hospice of Northwest Ohio. Online messages and condolences may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com

Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

500 E. Maumee Ave
Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall

CS

“ So sorry for your loss. We're glad we we able to get together for lunch before the pandemic. We'll miss him so.
Your cousin, Larry and Charlene Sager

Charlene Peck Sager - September 08, 2021 at 12:45 PM

JT

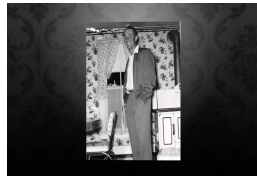
“ Julie Tijerina lit a candle in memory of Ward Charles Hogrefe



Julie Tijerina - September 08, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Tribute Video



Rodenberger Funeral Home - September 08, 2021 at 08:45 AM

MG

“ Praying for this wonderful and loving family. So very sorry for your loss.

Mary Granger - September 08, 2021 at 07:27 AM

CT

“ So sorry for your loss. I remember your dad and racing him on the ice when I was a little girl. He was a very kind, Godly man. You have my sympathies.

Cyndy (Bost) Tilley

Cyndy tilley - September 07, 2021 at 06:50 AM

LJ

“ Kathleen & Girls,
What a kind & gentle man Ward was. He loved his family & his Church. A wonderful & humble man, he will be sadly missed by all. Love & prayers to a very dear family.

Linda Johnson

Linda Johnson - September 06, 2021 at 09:40 PM

MJ

“ So sorry to hear ,.of Ward's passing ..he was a great guy ..played a lot of softball against him ..my prayers to the family..Marty Jackson

Marty Jackson - September 06, 2021 at 02:55 PM

SC

“ Kathleen,
Our thoughts are with you and your family. We share with you the joy of Ward's being and the sorrow of his loss.

Steve and Mary Ann Crawford

Steve and Mary Ann Crawford - September 06, 2021 at 10:00 AM

LO

“ Prayers to you Kathleen. So sorry to hear this. Always looked forward to seeing you both at our school get together. May he RIP.

To Pam sorry for the loss of your Dad.

Lola Urbanski

Lola - September 05, 2021 at 09:48 PM

KF

“ Ward was a VERY KIND and CARING man! He LOVED his wife and family! What a BLESSING he has been to so many! I didn't see him often, but when I did...he was always happy to chat and welcomed me in for a visit. Ward has left a warm and lasting impression in my heart. He surely will be missed.... PRAYING for all of his loved ones.

Karen Flory - September 04, 2021 at 10:33 PM

RY

“ Kathleen, sending heartfelt condolences to you on the passing of Ward. I always enjoyed speaking with both of you over the years when we would meet up. Ward was so pleasant. Hugs to you today.

Renee Yoder - September 04, 2021 at 08:27 PM

LC

“ Sympathy to you Kathleen and family. LaRena

LaRena Callahan - September 04, 2021 at 04:08 PM