



## Weldon E. Norden

April 16, 1931 - October 12, 2015

Weldon Eldor Norden, 84, of Florida, Ohio died on Monday, October 12, 2015 at Vancrest of Holgate. He was born April 16, 1931 in Napoleon Township, Ohio to the late Eldor and Rufina (Helberg) Norden and was baptized in 1931. On January 9, 1954 he married Helen VonDeylen at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Ridgeville Corners, Ohio.

Weldon attended North Richland Adams high school in Jewell, Ohio. He was drafted into United States Army and served from October 1951 to 1953, where he spent one year in Germany. He worked for Johns Mansville and retired in 1994 after 47 years of service. He then worked in the recreation department for the City of Napoleon for 11 years.

His true love, besides Helen, was his music. He played in the Happy Times Polka Band for 35 years until his health no longer permitted him too. However, you could still find him singing in German to the aides at the nursing home. He also loved to camp and spend time with his family.

He was a member of the Ridgeville American Legion and a life member of the Napoleon AMVETS and VFW. He belonged to St. Peters Lutheran Church, Florida, Ohio where he served the congregation as a trustee.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; daughter, Luann (Tony) Mullett, Holgate; grandchildren, Stacie (Greg) Mullins, Seth (Barb) Mullett, Allison (Anthony) McKinney; great grandchildren, Ashlyn, Irelyn, and Maddox Mullins and Harper and Breyden Mullett; sisters, Lois (Bob) Rettig, Holgate, Dian (Gene) Wendt, Ridgeville Corners, Sue Ann (Dave) McColley, Gahanna; brothers, Ronald (Judy) Norden, Defiance, Eugene (Lily) Norden, Paw Paw, MI; and several nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by son, Richard "Rick" Norden, and sister and brother-in-law, Joan (Victor) Miller.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 15, at St. Peters Lutheran Church, Florida, Ohio. Interment will follow at Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance, Ohio where military honors will be accorded by the Ridgeville American Legion Post. Visitation will be held from 2 - 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Rodenberger Funeral Home in Napoleon and one hour prior to service at the church on Thursday.

Suggested memorials are to the Alzheimer's Association, St. Peters Lutheran Church, Florida, Ohio or a charity of the donor's choice.

The family would like to give a special thanks to all the staff and aides at Vancrest for all of

their loving care over the past four years.

Online condolences may be made at [www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com](http://www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14.** 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home  
1010 Westmoreland Avenue  
Napoleon, OH 43545  
(419) 592-2333  
help@rodenbergergray.com

## Service

OCT **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Lutheran Church-Florida, Ohio  
K980 County Road 17D  
Napoleon, OH 43545

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My heart goes out to you Helen and all of Weldon's family and friends. I remember what a kind and gentle soul he was. Heaven's polka bands have warmly welcomed him. Love,  
Kay*

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**Kay Oliver** - October 17, 2015 at 12:58 PM

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“ *The Weldon Norden Family,*

*I worked with Weldon at Johns Manville for 27 of the 47 years he worked there. He was a Great influence in my life from both an educational and personal perspective. Much of what I new about the Fiber Glass process and working with people was given to me my him. He always had something to share. There are not to many people that saw what he saw and learned about the changes in the production of fiber glass. He was our Encyclopedia of the growth of the different processes.*

*I was blessed to know him.*

*My condolences to Helen and his family.*

*Greg Reineke  
JM Retired*

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**Greg & Helen Reineke** - October 14, 2015 at 11:14 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Weldon E. Norden.*



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October 13, 2015 at 02:33 PM

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“ *Liane Viars lit a candle in memory of Weldon E. Norden*



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**Liane Viars** - October 13, 2015 at 12:03 PM

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“ *Oh Helen, when I got here and heard about Weldon I knew I had lost my 2 best friends. I am so sorry and I want you to know how much I miss him. You had a beautiful 10 months, more than you thought you would have. You made the right decision for him. You always had his best interests at heart. Many people here will miss him. Weldon was a treasure to take care of, and he blessed my life in so many ways. And you did too. I love you guys with all my being. It will be very hard, but someday you will see him again and he can sing "No beer in heaven" in German to you. I will always remember the two most special people I have met at Vancrest.*

*Love you bunches (and Weldon)*

*Liane*

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**Liane Viars** - October 13, 2015 at 12:00 PM