



William "Bill" Behrman

September 16, 1934 - March 5, 2014

William "Bill" Fred Behrman, 79, of Defiance, died Wednesday, March 05, 2014 at the Lutheran Home in Napoleon after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Bill was born in Bartlow Township, Ohio on September 16, 1934, the son of the late Albert and Lorena (Schwiebert) Behrman. He attended Deshler High School. On May 31, 1959 he married Marilyn Bostleman, who survives. In addition to farming, Bill was employed by Johns Manville for 42 years, retiring in 1997. He was an active member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Okolona, where he held numerous offices and positions. He was also a member of Ward L. Adams American Legion Post 454 in Ridgeville Corners. Bill proudly served in the United States Army, stationed in Weitheim, Germany from 1957 through 1959.

Bill is survived by his wife, Marilyn, sons; Daniel (Beth), Defiance, Ohio, Alan, Defiance, Ohio and Joel (Kim), Maumee, Ohio, grandchildren; Alex Behrman, Napoleon, Ohio, Audrey Behrman, Cincinnati, Ohio, Amy Behrman, Defiance, Ohio, Amanda Behrman, Moira Behrman and Madison Behrman, Maumee, Ohio, brothers; Robert, Napoleon, Ohio, Delbert (Lorna), Deshler, Herb (Lynn), Hamler, sisters; Loretta Schroeder, Napoleon, Annetta (Ed) Rosebrock, Napoleon, Danelda (Robert) Drewes, Hoytville, Ohio, Marjorie Behnfeltdt, Napoleon, Darlene (Leonard) Rutter, Auburn, Indiana, and Karen Rabe, Phoenix, Arizona, sister-in-law, Fran Behrman, Napoleon, and numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; infant son, Phillip; brothers Raymond and Harold, brothers-in-law, Fred Schroeder and Paul Rabe, and sisters-in-law; Joyce and Marcia Behrman.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2014 at 11 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Okolona. Interment will follow at the church cemetery with military honors to be accorded by Ridgeville American Legion Post.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and Saturday from 10-11 a.m. at the church.

Memorials are suggested to Bethlehem Lutheran Youth Program or a charity of the donor's choice.

Online condolences may be given at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Okolona
30997 Gerken Road
Defiance, OH 43512

Service

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Bill and I worked together at Johns Manville for many years. He retired a year before I did. He was the EXPERT in Molded Parts. I learned a lot from Bill as I was growing in my job. We shared many good times and some times we both would have liked to forget. Remember the good Bill provided while he was with us and the better place he is now in.*

My Sympathy to the Family,

*Greg Reineke
JM QCC Retired*

Greg Reineke - March 07, 2014 at 09:02 AM

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“ *Alan And Cheryl Wiesehan lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Behrman*



Alan and Cheryl Wiesehan - March 05, 2014 at 09:09 PM

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“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the Behrman family. May God comfort you all during this difficult time.*

Leslie, Joel & Collin Rayle - March 05, 2014 at 08:10 PM

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“ *Leslie & Joel Rayle lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Behrman*



Leslie & Joel Rayle - March 05, 2014 at 07:58 PM

KL

“ *Kathy & Steve Lieb lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Behrman*



Kathy & Steve Lieb - March 05, 2014 at 11:30 AM