



## Ray A. Shepherd

April 22, 1934 - July 15, 2017

Ray A. Shepherd 83 of Carrollton formerly Amsterdam journeyed from this life July 15 with family at his side in the care of Carroll Golden Age Retreat and Community Hospice for whom the family is grateful.

Born April 22, 1934 to Frank and Myrtle (White) at the Shepherd farm and orchard, he attended Bergholz Schools. On September 14, 1952 he married Peggy Jo (Kestner). He operated Shep's Sinclair/Arco Service in Amsterdam for 23 years, attained career certificates and licenses, retired from First Energy, and kept active driving school bus and occasional jobs.

Ray and Peggy reared sons on Springfield TWP RD 265 where life connected with neighboring farms of the Evans family and Frank Shepherd.

Sons are Dan (Thea) with daughter Melissa (Adam Zeiszler) of Omaha NE; Bernard with son Alden and daughter Gwynne of Columbus OH; Rev. Vernon Lee of Lakeside OH; Allen (Rudi) with daughter Natalie (Justin Brinley and three children) Haley (Drake Hyman), and son Evan of Shelbyville KY. Sisters are Audrey Kapelewski and Marian Able of Carrollton. Brother Dean predeceased Ray.

Ray enjoyed polka and Christmas music, played with the dance band for many years, served with the Amsterdam Volunteer Fire Department and

village carnival, and volunteered at local fairs. "Ray can make any piece of junk to run," was said of him.

Ray was a 33° Mason and member of Carroll Lodge #124 where he was raised in 1968 and served as Worshipful Master in 1974. He also held memberships in Minerva Chapter #123, Loyalty Council #146, Steubenville Commandery, Scottish Rite Valley of Steubenville, and Carroll Chapter #315 Order of the Eastern Star.

Memorial donations are received by, Parkinson's Wellness Program/Ray Shepherd University Hospitals Institutional Relations & Development P.O. Box 94554 Cleveland, OH 44101-9755 or Harsh Memorial United Methodist Church, 3167 Apollo RD SE Carrollton OH 44615.

Pastors Eric Kluth and Vernon Lee Shepherd preside on Monday August 7 at Harsh Memorial UMC Harlem Springs, Masonic service 12:30pm, music 1pm, memorial 1:30pm and cherry pie for all.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 7. 12:30 PM (ET)

Harsh Memorial United Methodist Church  
3167 Apollo Road SE  
Carrollton, OH 44615  
(330) 739-3472

# Tribute Wall

YF

“ *Your Lakeside United Methodist Church Family purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of Ray A. Shepherd.*



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**Your Lakeside United Methodist Church Family** - August 07, 2017 at 08:52 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Ray A. Shepherd.*



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August 06, 2017 at 06:22 PM

DS

“ *Dan and Thea Shepherd (Omaha, NE) I know it has been too long since Dan and I have been out your way. We regret it greatly. We always enjoyed the visits that the two of you made to Omaha. Due to Dan's knee surgery we are unable to attend the service but have many wonderful thoughts and memories of you and Ray. I recently ran across a picture of Ray with Melissa in the driveway with her on the first bicycle you bought her. We will miss him. Love to you and the rest of the family.*

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**Dan Shepherd** - August 06, 2017 at 12:09 PM

KF

“ Ray always had a smile on his face. I fondly remember him. My prayers to the entire Shepherd family during this difficult time

Karen Bray Fraley - August 04, 2017 at 04:22 PM

SN

“ he was a terrific person loved by all he came in contact with. he will be missed

Harold and Sandy Newbold

sandy newbold - August 02, 2017 at 06:43 PM

DM

“ Ray was good to me when I was in high school, I worked for him for 4 years. We had a lot of fun and he was always sincere. The world will miss him.

Bob and Donna Modranski

donna modranski - August 02, 2017 at 11:05 AM

MA

“ Mike And Becky Abel lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Mike and Becky Abel - August 01, 2017 at 06:26 PM

RN

“ As a child, I would enjoy going to venues where my Mother played the accordion along with Ray on 🎷 The saxophone in various Eddie Huffman bands. Being a relative, our families attended the Shepherd reunions yearly from where I hold many great memories of fun times filled with kindness and laughter. Ray was a great man and will be sadly missed.

ray newbold - August 01, 2017 at 09:11 AM

Fred Sponhaltz

“ Fred Sponhaltz lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Fred Sponhaltz - August 01, 2017 at 02:31 AM

VE

“ When I was working at Thorne's and I would ask Ray and his wife how they were Mrs Shepherd would say she was ok. Ray always said he was cranky.

Vickie Eick - July 31, 2017 at 10:08 PM

CH

“ Cindy Howell lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Cindy Howell - July 31, 2017 at 08:00 PM

VR

“ Always had a good time working with Ray on the alumni committee. Prayers to family. Connie and Clad Repella

Vladimir Repella - July 31, 2017 at 07:50 PM

KK

“ Kay And Bob Kirk lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Kay and Bob Kirk - July 31, 2017 at 07:46 PM



“ Ennie Maple lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Ennie Maple - July 31, 2017 at 06:32 PM

PS

“ Sorry to hear of Ray's passing. I knew Ray since I was a little kid and would buy soda pop at his service station or ice cream from his truck. As a teenager I grew up as his neighbor. He was truly one of the good ones.

Paul Streblo - July 31, 2017 at 04:25 PM

KW

“ Always remember Ray being so cheerful, his smile would just make anyone feel good. Dad thought a lot of Ray. My sympathies to his family and friends. Kaye (White) Winters

kaye winters - July 31, 2017 at 02:18 PM

WH

“ Willa Hellyer lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



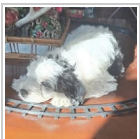
willa hellyer - July 31, 2017 at 01:46 PM

TJ

“ The Jolly's lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



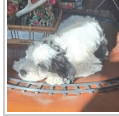
The Jolly's - July 31, 2017 at 12:04 PM



“ Lena Lautzenheiser lit a candle in memory of Ray A. Shepherd



Lena Lautzenheiser - July 31, 2017 at 10:17 AM



*Vernon and Family Willy and I are sorry for your loss. Our prayers are that GOD will comfort you, and keep you all at this time of loss. I remember mom always going and getting \$1.00 worth of gas and it lasting for the week in her huge station wagon. GOD Bless.*

**Lena Lautzenheiser** - July 31, 2017 at 10:22 AM

JK

*Sending my condolences to the family....Remember all the good times at Twin Valley when Shep's band played....God definitely received another angel.....*

**Jean (Polen) Kovach** - July 31, 2017 at 06:33 PM

CG

*Ray was one of the good guys. Always full of Energy and life. When you think of Amsterdam he is one of the people that pops into your mind. Rest in peace brother.*

**chuck Griffith** - July 31, 2017 at 06:35 PM

JV

*Condolences to the family. Shep was always nice to the kids that stopped by for a soda or ice cream.*

**Jim Vahalik** - July 31, 2017 at 08:55 PM

DT

*When I think of Ray I always remember when I was young and just beginning to drive. I would stop at the station and he would wash the windshield, headlights and taillights while the gas tank was filling up. And all the while whistling. He was always so pleasant and I am so glad I knew him. Praying for comfort for his family as only Father God can give. Dianne & Mike Thurston*

**Dianne Thurston** - August 01, 2017 at 06:07 AM

FP

*Shep was one of the best men I ever met Rest In Peace. My friend*

**Fred Pepperling** - August 03, 2017 at 08:42 AM