



Dean Brubaker

August 3, 1935 - February 25, 2011

BLISSFIELD – Dean Wayne Brubaker, 75, of Blissfield, passed away at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Sebring, Florida, on Friday, February 25, 2011.

Dean was born August 3, 1935, in Blissfield, Michigan, the only son of Clarence and Alma (Walper) Brubaker. He graduated from Blissfield High School and married Shirley Braun on April 15, 1956.

Dean served in the United States Army and was stationed in Italy. Upon returning from the service, he farmed the family farm in Blissfield until his retirement in 2004. He was also on the Board of Directors for both the former Blissfield Co-operative and the Blissfield State Bank. He owned and operated a buffing and polishing shop, D.W.B. Manufacturing, in Blissfield for seventeen years. Dean was a licensed builder. He built a speculation house, remodeled homes, and performed numerous home repairs for family and friends. Dean enjoyed traveling and saw much of Europe, the U.S., and Canada. Six days out of the week, he never missed his 6 a.m. coffee with his friends at McDonald's. Dean was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend. He will be missed.

Dean is survived by his wife of almost 55 years; four daughters, Linda Kohlenberg of Blissfield; Amy (Tom) Principe of Mount Morris, IL; Betty (Dan) Ganger of Bristol, IN; and Barbara (Kiernan) Mack of Arlington Heights, IL; ten grandsons and five granddaughters; five great grandsons and six great granddaughters; sister, Shirley (Jerry) Coolidge of Toledo; and many nieces

and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters. The funeral service for Dean will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 5, 2011 at Blissfield Baptist Church with Rev. Thomas Frantz officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may visit the family at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel on Thursday and Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Blissfield Baptist Church or the charity of the donor's choice. You may also send condolences to www.wagleyfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Blissfield Baptist Church
717 North Monroe Street
Blissfield, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Brubaker*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *For Shirley Brubaker: I just learned of Dean's passing. I am so sorry to hear this. I trust that you and your family can adjust and reflect on your many friendships. Dean was a super guy and we are blessed to have been a part of his life.*

We missed you at the Bradenton snowbird reunion. We recently sold our condo there and are very happy at the Villages.

*We hope you are in good health. May God bless you
Bruce and Shirley Knisel###imported-begin###Bruce
Knisel###imported-end###*

March 31, 2011 at 01:09 PM



“ *Shirley and girls, I'm so sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories of Dean - his laughter, able to deal with women in his life and to take on all of their girlfriends at your house as well! His testimony of his life for Christ showed to all.*

My prayers will be with you as you adjust to the loss, but hope that the memories will comfort you during this time as well.

Rose###imported-begin###Rose Ninaber###imported-end###

March 04, 2011 at 11:41 AM



“ We have been praying for your family. We thank God for sending Dan Principe and his family to work in our church here in Maine. May God Bless each of you during this time.##imported-begin##Pastor Todd Bell##imported-end##

March 03, 2011 at 08:50 AM



“ We will all miss Dean in our own little ways. Ways in which he touched each of our lives and hearts. Dean and Shirley have been our neighbors since 1969. I remember back in the 70's.. (when it really snowed)... I would be outside shoveling my driveway and Dean would come down the road with one of his big ole tractors and with one or two big scoops save my day....Thanks Dean...I will never forget you. Corina Winters

Mom & Dad says...."We use to wave to Dean everyday as he went by....we will miss that".

Al & Carol Winters

Our hearts go out to you all....##imported-begin##Corina Winters
....Al & Carol##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 04:47 PM



“ Matt notified me this morning about Dean's passing...I am so sorry and hope that your wonderful memories sustain through these difficult days.

Love,

Marsha Ikle##imported-begin##Marsha Ikle##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 02:06 PM



“ Dean Brubaker

To: The Dean Brubaker Family,

I am saddened by the passing of your husband, father and grandfather. Dean was a close friend of my Dad who he will be joining along with the Lord Jesus in Heaven to walk and talk with on the streets of Gold. I will miss Dean not only in church but also over a cup of coffee at McDonald's in the mornings.

I, will not be to pay my respects to Dean and you the family, as I do not return from Florida until March 8Th or 9Th.

It is very difficult losing a loved one, but it is so much easier knowing you will be able rejoice and be with him for eternity the next time you do see him.

May God be with all of you during this difficult time.

God Bless all of you,

Larry Tuttle##imported-begin##Larry Tuttle##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 08:42 PM



“ Shirley and famiyy-

I was so saddened to hear of Dean's passing. He and your entire family were such a big part of my "Blissfield years" and youthful memories...(our motor home, Emmanuel United Methodist Church youth group and choir, carpooling to BHS, etc.) There was always a warm spot in my heart for Dean; there will be a feeling of great loss when I remember him.

With my love and prayers, Lisa Kraus##imported-begin##Lisa Kraus (Veldhoff)##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 01:17 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Barb.##imported-begin##Carol Capra##imported-end##*

March 01, 2011 at 12:05 PM



“ *Dear Barbara and Family,
I am so very sorry for your loss.
My heart goes out to all of you.
I will be praying for you and your family.*

*Warm Regards,
Darice##imported-begin##Darice Castino##imported-end##*

March 01, 2011 at 12:01 PM



“ *I remember Dean from long ago as I was growing up. My father (Henry Martinez) worked for him for many years. The thing I remember most is that he wasn't just an employer to my father, he was a friend of the family. Shirley, I will be praying for you, that God comforts you during this rough time. Your husband was a wonderful man.##imported-begin##Dee Martinez Jensen##imported-end##*

March 01, 2011 at 11:46 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy, Barb.##imported-begin##Eva Kalbarczyk##imported-end##*

March 01, 2011 at 09:15 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss, Barb. We are praying for God's comfort and peace to fill you as you make all the funeral plans. I am grateful for the ability to "talk" to you...your Dad sounded like a wonderful man!##imported-begin##Phil and Lisa Hemmer##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 07:38 AM



“ Our condolences to the Brubaker family. You are in our prayers here in Rochester, NY.##imported-begin##Matt and Elizabeth Suman##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 09:21 PM



“ Dear Shirley and Family, We just want you to know that you are in our prayers during this time. We pray that God will be your comforter and peace giver during these days!
Mick & Nora Suman##imported-begin##Mick & Nora Suman##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 09:06 PM



“ Shirley, We were deeply saddened to learn of Dean's death and would like to express to you and your family, our sincere sadness and sympathies. Dwight remembers Dean as a well respected board member who contributed his "common sense" approach to many issues facing the board. May you find peace in the wonderful memories you cherish.##imported-begin##Dwight and Carolyn Klump##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 08:19 PM



“ Barb and family, we are very sorry for the loss of your dear dad. We will pray that you strongly feel the presence of Christ carrying you through this difficult time.##imported-begin##Don Wilkinson##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 05:47 PM



“ Barb and Family,
We are sorry to hear of the loss of your father. It sounds like he was a neat man! We are praying that God will comfort all of you as only He can do. Let us know if we can do anything for the boys while you're gone.##imported-begin##The Solaks##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 01:35 PM



“ Barb- we are all sad to hear of the passing of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family.
Love,
Dave and family##imported-begin##David, Mary, Shannon, Taryn, & Sean Mack##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 12:44 PM



“ Our thoughts go out to both Shirleys at this time of loss. Thinking of you.##imported-begin##Jennifer Stites & Carrol Friess##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 10:51 AM



“ So sorry to hear of the passing of your dad, Barb. Praying that the Lord's presence will be felt as you go through the coming days.##imported-begin##Betsy Wambach##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 10:50 AM



“ Dean and I truly enjoyed your friendship. Dean's death is a celebration of his life. Because he lived such a good life. Wish I could be there. Always, Yvonne Leonard.##imported-begin##Yvonne Leonard##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 10:39 AM



“ Barb,

I am so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. My condolences to you and your entire family.

Pat##imported-begin##Pat Tucker##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 09:46 AM



“ Barb, we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. May you find happiness in the memories, strength from family and friends, and peace from God which passes all human understanding.##imported-begin##John & Pam Bever##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 08:32 AM



“ I know that it is hard to lose a loved one. You will be in our thoughts and prayers during this time. God Bless. Love Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie Mulready##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 11:03 PM



“ I'm just heartbroken by Dean's passing. What a good man we all had the opportunity to know and love all these years. That twinkly-eyed smile is something I hadn't seen enough of in recent years, but when I did, it always made me feel loved and at home. Dean had such a positive influence on my life with his good humored nature, his genuine caring for others, his hard work and his integrity. I know he was loved by many and will be missed so much. Shirley and the girls, you're particularly on my mind these days and I'm lifting you up in thoughts and prayers. Love, Kristy##imported-begin##Kristy (Miller) Gledhill##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 05:05 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers will be with all of you during this time. I know Heaven rejoiced to receive Dean home, but he will be missed here. My love to Dean, Shirley, and family.

Paula and Bryan Mickle and family##imported-begin##Paula (Findley) Mickle##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 05:03 PM