



Raymond F. Grassman

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After a hard-fought battle with cancer, Ray Grassman of Lebanon, OH was surrounded by family when he passed away at the age of 84 on October 25, 2023. Ray was born in Oldenburg, IN on July 3, 1939, to the late Fred and Eleanora Grassman.

He attended high school at St. Francis Seminary for 2 years before transferring and graduating from Batesville HS in 1957. He received a Diploma in Accounting from Miller-Draughon College. Following a stint in the US Army, Ray continued his career at Hillenbrand Industries working for more than 25 years as an accountant and eventually as Controller for Batesville Casket's Manufacturing Operations while moving between Batesville and Nashua NH. In 1984, Ray earned his bachelor's degree from Syracuse University. Following his successful career at Hillenbrand Industries, Ray moved on to Reynolds and Reynolds, working in Celina, OH and Dayton, OH, advancing to Vice President of Manufacturing before retiring in 2005 when he and Paula moved to Vonore, TN to enjoy several thousand rounds of golf.

Ray enjoyed playing, coaching, and watching sports. He regularly coached Little League baseball, even during his busy career. Ray was a lifelong fan of Batesville HS sports, the Reds, Bengals, Notre Dame football and Indiana University basketball. He could always be counted on for an expert analysis of the games and teams.

Ray is survived by his wife Paula, who he fell in love with and married in Oldenburg, IN on November 15, 1969, instantly becoming both husband to Paula and father to 4 children. He is also survived by his son Doug Grassman and wife Elke, son Dave Freese and wife Beth, son Rick Freese and wife Joan, son Bob Freese, daughter Sharon Klepper and husband Greg. He loved his 8 grandchildren Sara, Samantha, Laura, Ava, Andrew, Katie, Kara, and Markus, along with 7 great grandchildren. Ray is also survived by brother Bert Grassman of Batesville, brother George (Yatz) Grassman of Oldenburg and sister Marian Beetz of Oldenburg.



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Calling will be Thursday, November 2nd, from 4 – 7 p.m., at the funeral home. A Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, November 3rd at Holy Family Catholic Church in Oldenburg, with Rev. Carl Langenderfer OFM officiating. The burial will follow in the church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Ray can be made to Holy Family Catholic Church.



Events

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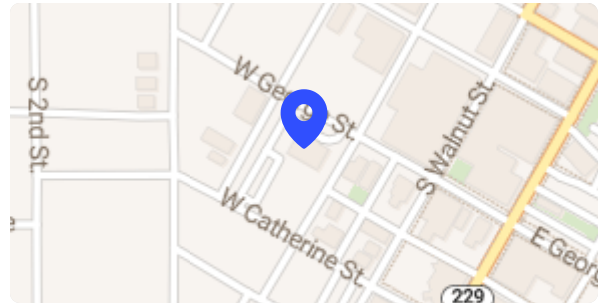
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Calling

Thursday, November 2, 2023

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Weigel Funeral Home
151 W. George St., Batesville IN 47006



Memorial Mass

Friday, November 3, 2023

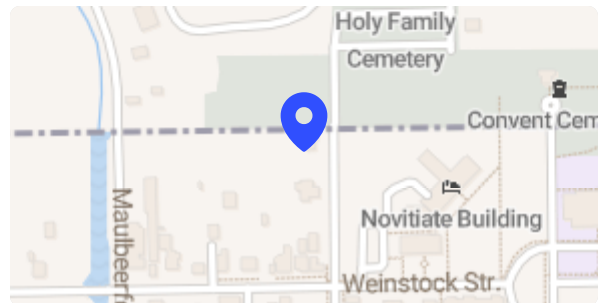
10:00 AM ET

Holy Family Church
3027 Pearl Street, Oldenburg IN 47036



Cemetery Details

Holy Family Cemetery
3078 Pearl Street, Oldenburg IN 47036





Tribute Wall

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Marianne M. sent an In Our Sight Tribute Blanket to the Grassman family.

October 30 at 10:07 AM



Anonymous sent a Light Remains Tribute Blanket to the Grassman family.

October 30 at 9:51 AM



Andreas Und Rita , Christian Und Carola sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Grassman family.

October 29 at 8:16 AM



Preston (Chip) Ray posted:

Sincere condolences to Ray's family- had the pleasure of working with Ray at the Nashua plant in the mid seventies- he was always a gentleman and all around good guy! May he Rest in Peace

October 28 at 12:29 PM



Anonymous sent an A Full Life to the Grassman family.

October 28 at 7:56 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Raymond.

October 28 at 7:56 AM





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AE

Audrey Wallpe Elliott posted:

Ray and I shared many a good time in our bookkeeping class and considered a special friend. Wish we could have shared more dinners with Ray and Paula. He will be missed. Rest in peace Ray. Audrey Wallpe Elliott and Jack Elliott

October 28 at 6:07 AM

BF

Becky Fehrman posted:

Extending my deepest sympathy. Becky Fehrman

October 27 at 8:45 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Raymond by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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