



# Loren H. Knicely

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**L**oren H. Knicely, 73, of Adamsville, Ohio died Sunday evening, March 22, 2015 at Genesis Morrison House in Zanesville, Ohio after an extended illness.

Born August 1, 1941 in Adamsville, he was a son of the late Donald H. and Margaret R. (Gosser) Knicely and was a 1959 graduate of Adamsville High School. Loren was a retired farmer raising beef cattle, crops and hay. He was also a retired machinist from the Conesville power plant. Loren was a life-long member of New Hope Lutheran Church and former member of the church council. For 35 years he was treasurer of the New Hope Cemetery Association. He was a member of Hubbard Lodge #220, F. & A. M. in Adamsville, the Ancient & Accepted Order of Scottish Rite, Valley of Cambridge, the Muskingum County Farm Bureau and the Adamsville Alumni Association. He was also a former member of Eureka Grange and the Adamsville Community Fire Department. Loren enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, traveling, gardening and participating in tractor pulls. He was also very proud of his tractor collection. Loren was very community minded and volunteered in all the many area activities. He was an exceptional individual who was loved and respected by all who knew him.

Surviving is his wife, Connie (Hladek) Knicely whom he married August 18, 2000; a son, Bryan Knicely of Evansville, Indiana; a daughter, Lori (David) Regan of Berkley, California; two granddaughters, Skylar and Madeline Regan, a brother, David (Kathie) Knicely of Adamsville. Also surviving are four nephews and their families.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Emily Knicely and a brother, Paul Knicely.

Calling hours will be 3pm to 7pm Thursday, March 26, 2015 at the New Hope Lutheran Church, 7025 Adamsville-Otsego Road, Adamsville.

Funeral services will be 11:00am Friday, March 27, 2015 at New Hope Lutheran Church with Pastor Mary Molnar officiating. Burial will be in New Hope Cemetery.



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Memorial contributions may be made to the Adamsville Community Fire Department, Post Office Box 305, Adamsville, Ohio 43802 or to Genesis Hospice, 713 Forest Avenue, Zanesville, Ohio 43701.



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KO

**Kathleen Obrenski** posted:

To my dear sister - Connie, Loren was a wonderful brother-in-law and friend to Donny & I and will be missed by ALL our family! He was a wonderful and kind man. Always had a smile! I want you to know that your family is here for YOU sister dear and we love you. Below is a poem that Loren wrote that is so very special and heart warming that I wanted to share for all to read. It says a lot about what a GREAT man he was. Loren, may you Rest in Peace with your little baby girl Emily and all God's Angels in Heaven. God Bless you and keeping you in prayer Connie. Love & Blessings, Kathleen & DonA

**Tribute to All Farmers**

By, Loren Knicely

I am only a farmer. I know nature better than anyone. I work with the soil, the rain, the sun, the wind, the heat and the cold. I enjoy them and sometimes fear them. I am only a farmer. I am a tenant of God's earth. I am a sower of seeds, a shepherd of livestock, a reaper of harvest. I am sweat, tears, and pride. I am only a farmer. I am warm memories of the past and hopeful dreams of the future. I am an optimist, a thinker, a watcher and a doer. I am only a farmer. I am a manager, an accountant, a veterinarian, a mechanic and a carpenter. I am a seller, a trader and a buyer. I am a father, a friend, a comforter and a teacher to my children. I am only a farmer. If a man can be truly free, then truly I am. I do not work by a time clock. I can choose the hours I work. They are mine to spend. They are mine to invest. They are mine to use wisely. I am only a farmer. Since I am self-employed, I must use wisely; my intelligence, my confidence, my ingenuity and my patience. I am not a man of riches, but a man with a great wealth of experience. I have learned to treasure life and all living things, to respect their maker and my own. I am only a farmer. Unlike our government and many other large corporations, we are efficient. I am part of a minority of 2% and we produce enough to feed the world. So, the next time you get behind some slow-moving farm machinery, don't complain too much (especially on a full stomach). I am only a farmer. I live in a complicated world, but enjoy the simple things in life. They are my source of joy, hope and comfort. I have walked in the morning mist, and paused to marvel at the beauty of sunsets. I listen to the cheerful sounds of the songbirds. I enjoy the fragrance of fresh-cut hay. I am only a farmer. It is a solitary profession I have chosen, or perhaps that I have been chosen for. A profession where there are no certainties, where no guarantees are granted and no excuses taken. I am only a farmer. I know of no other profession which is closer to God's handiwork. I am awed by endless rebirth, and marvel as small seeds turn into a bountiful harvest. I witness many miracles. I am only a farmer. I have but God to answer to, to depend on, to confide in. And in the quiet of the years, I have come to know Him well. I believe Sunday is a day we should go to church to worship and to sing, and to give thanks for all the blessings to us He brings. I think that everyone should be PROUD of their many accomplishments! I once thought that being a farmer didn't sound like a highly skilled profession, until I met a special friend, who told me that I should be very proud that I am only a farmer, and I will endure. P.S. Lucky for this farmer, that the special friend is now my dear wife!

May 19 at 11:37 AM



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BB

**Becky Barry** posted:

Dear Sweet Connie, I was deeply saddened to hear of Loren's passing. Although I haven't been in Adamsville, since moving you and Loren have been in my thoughts with great affection. Please accept my sympathy for your loss of such a good and kind man. The world has lost someone very special.

May 18 at 9:54 AM

ZD

**Zon,Carla Davison** posted:

Connie, Carla and I are so glad we got to see you and Loren this past summer, please know you and all the Knicely family are in our prayers.

March 28 at 7:37 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Bryan:Sorry to hear about your dad.He was a fellow rural Ohioan like myself abd the same age.Wally Dale

March 28 at 6:14 AM

KS

**Kevin, Amy & Logan Spiker** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Knicely family. Loren was a wonderful man and will be missed by all who knew him.

March 27 at 12:48 PM

MP

**Mona Pocatko** posted:

Connie - Tad and I were really sorry to hear about Loren's death. I know you must have been going through a lot over the past few months. Our prayers are going out to you. Stay in touch.  
Love, Mona

March 27 at 8:25 AM



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DS

**Dianna Johnston-Sotomayor** posted:

David and family, sorry to hear of the passing of your brotheghts and prayers are with you and your families.

March 26 at 5:28 PM

JG

**Joanne Mirch Greenlee** posted:

My dear friend. Connie, I am deeply saddened to hear of the death of your loving Loren. You two made a wonderful couple. I know Loren and Emily are looking down on you. Two precious angels. I pray Our dear Lord will console you. I am only a phone call away. I love you Connie.

March 26 at 11:16 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Connie, we were very sorry to hear of Loren's death. We send our deep sympathy, thoughts and prayers to you and his family. Sincerely, Barb and Frank Spencer, Youngstown, Ohio

March 26 at 10:35 AM

JR

**John Ruggiero** posted:

Connie my sincere sympathy on the loss of your beloved Loren. My thoughts and prayers are with you. John Ruggiero

March 26 at 9:26 AM

NF

**Nancy Fratis** posted:

Dear Connie and family, We just heard about Loren's passing. May the angels lead him into paradise and the saints and martyrs welcome him to the new Jerusalem! Please accept our deepest sympathy and be assured of our prayers. I know that "ONT" Mary is greeting him and taking good care of him! Love You Cuz, Nancy, Larry, Mary and Uncle Bobby.

March 26 at 8:36 AM



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PU

**Paul And Bea Urban** posted:

Dear cousin Connie, we are so sorry for your loss and pray for you and your family. We thought well of Loren and always appreciated the time you both spent with Dave. Davie Boy will really miss "Farmer Boy".

March 26 at 5:53 AM

AK

**Ann Kmak** posted:

Loren was a wonderful human being and loving husband to my dear cousin Connie. Connie was his "angel" during his illness. She always spoke well of Loren and accepted God's will graciously. I believe that Loren's spirit will be with Connie and all who knew and loved him. Rest in peace.

March 25 at 6:24 AM

SD

**Sheila Rector Dailey** posted:

What a wonderful human being and a true Christian gentleman. Our family has good memories from the years when he and Neal farmed together. It was uplifting to experience his great sense of humor and honest laughter! He truly cared about others. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

March 25 at 2:09 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Thinking of you Bryon, peace and prayers to you and your family. Mary and Brad Kimmel

March 24 at 9:17 PM

BS

**Ben Shaver** posted:

My deepest feelings for the Knicely family.

March 24 at 5:46 PM

PL

**Pamela Branan Lippert** posted:

Dear Bryan, Lori and family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. May you feel the love of all who know you and God's comfort during this difficult time.

March 24 at 4:56 PM



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**Linda Hindel-Swingle** posted:

Please except my condolences on the loss. Loren was a good neighbor. He will be missed.

March 24 at 2:10 PM



**Rex And Mary Wisecarver** posted:

So sorry for your loss. Had lived beside him when he had the farm an school house rd. Very nice and forgiving man. Will be greatly missed.

March 24 at 1:59 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Bryan we are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.Randy & Nina Lientz

March 24 at 1:41 PM



**Jim And Betty Darner** posted:

Connie and Family,Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

March 24 at 10:16 AM



**Carol & Lynn Knicely-Mikesell** posted:

So sorry to hear of Loren's passing. He was a "special" cousin. I'll miss his laugh, love of cattle & tractors, and his sense of humor. God's blessings to the rest of the family--In Christ's love, Carol & Lynn

March 24 at 7:32 AM



**Judi Roach** posted:

My Heart goes out to the Knicely Families..

March 24 at 7:14 AM



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JT

**Jill, Renee, Jackie And Tammy** posted:

We are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We will miss his smile in our office. Jill, Renee, Jackie and Tammy the staff of Dr. Wielkiewicz office.

March 24 at 5:59 AM

MD

**Megan Dailey** posted:

To Lorens family, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Loren was a highlight of my childhood, always bringing me bubble gum and a hug when he came over to my house. Even last year at my grandmothers calling hours, Loren brought me candy. He was a wonderful person and will be truly missed.

March 24 at 5:06 AM

SB

**Steve-N-Bonnie Butler** posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

March 24 at 4:48 AM

DB

**David Baker** posted:

A quiet man rest in peace!

March 24 at 4:26 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Connie, So sorry to hear about Loren, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Jody

March 24 at 4:25 AM

MT

**Mildred Teisinger** posted:

Loren will be missed by all who knew him. Our sincere sympathy to family and all. Members of Timber Run Grange #1898

March 24 at 1:19 AM



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LL

**Lulu Lautzenheiser** posted:

To the Knicely family you are in our thoughts and prayers. May God Bless you all. Glen and Lulu Lautzenheiser

March 23 at 10:34 PM

BS

**Big Al Sholtis** posted:

Loren tamed the mustang I call Connie! He will be missed. I only wish I would have called a few months ago when I was thinking about it, but got busy and forgot. I am saying prayers for you and Connie! Thanks for being my brother-in-law, love you Loren!

March 23 at 5:28 PM

JH

**John & Judi Hladek** posted:

Loren was a very special person and we always loved when he and Connie came to our house to share a holiday or just to visit. Our grand kids could feel how kind hearted he was and wanted to sit by him. This photo is an example of how happy we all were whenever he was around. He will be missed!

March 23 at 3:37 PM

JS

**John Stagmyer** posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

March 23 at 2:48 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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