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Joseph William Somers, Jr., 87, of Nashport, Ohio, died Wednesday morning, March 12, 2025 at his home. Born November 2, 1937, he was a son of the late Louva C. (Hardesty) & Joseph W. Somers, Sr. and was long-time member of Perryton United Methodist Church.

Joseph was a member of the United Auto Workers for 39 years, Newark Moose Lodge #499 and Buckeye Lake Eagles Lodge #2801. He was a forklift driver and served as the chief steward at Rockwell International, where he retired. Joseph enjoyed telling stories, restoring old vehicles, target shooting and playing his guitar and harmonica.

On his 50th birthday, he surprised his family and friends by earning his pilot's license and loved flying ever since. What Joseph loved the most was spending time with his family. Surviving are his children; two daughters, Deborah (Randal) Reasoner of Canton, Ohio and Joyce (William) Perry of Corbin, KY; son, Joseph R. (Kristi) Somers of Zanesville; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; two brothers, James E. (Robin) Somers of Newark and David M. (Vickie) Somers of Zanesville; sister, Susan E. Morris of California, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by the love of his life, Kathryn E. (Bush) Somers whom he married August 1, 1969, and who died February 28, 2012; two sons, Dennis W. Somers and David A. Somers; brother, Daniel P. Somers; sister, Charlotte Pace and his two furry companions, Saddie and Abby.

Also preceding Joseph in death is a dear friend, Gerald Graham who died December 22, 2024. Joseph and Gerald shared a lifelong friendship. Gerald's grandson, Matthew Graham, was also a close friend and Joseph considered him a "bonus grandchild". Friends and family may call 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at the Frazeysburg Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home, 110 West Third Street.



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Funeral Services will be 3:00 P.M., immediately following the conclusion of calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Perryton United Methodist Church, Care of Ruth Osborn, 12355 Scout Road, Frazeyburg, Ohio 43822.



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LW

Lisa Wiley posted:

Debbie, Joyce, Joe. So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing, He touched a lot of peoples Lives. Have comfort in knowing that he is at Peace, You will have may memories to hold on to. Prayers and much Love to you all. Kevin and Lisa Wiley

March 18 at 3:19 AM

RL

Randy And Joyce Lincicome posted:

To the Somers Family, sorry to read of your loss. Your family are in our prayers.

March 17 at 9:42 AM

DS

Debbie (Db) (Binkley) Swick posted:

Joyce Joe Debbie so sorry for your loss many prayers for all of you

March 17 at 6:53 AM

SK

Shari Kuhn posted:

Debbie, Joyce and Joe, so sorry to hear about your dad's passing! My thoughts are with you! Love, Shari Kuhn

March 16 at 10:59 AM

WH

Wendy Holdren posted:

Such a wonderful man! My condolences to the family. He was always so sweet and kind!

March 15 at 10:39 PM

CG

Carolyn Green posted:

Dear Somers family, so very sorry to read about the death of Joseph. You are all in my prayers!

March 15 at 7:38 AM



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JR

Judy (Delancey) Romine posted:

Sorry for your loss. Prayers to the family. May your memories bring you comfort.

March 15 at 5:33 AM

JC

Jeanne Cohagen posted:

Our condolences to Jim and the Families, Rodney and Jeanne Cohagen

March 15 at 3:07 AM

DL

Doc Leogrande posted:

I worked with Joe in the 70's He was good friends with my Dad who also worked there Prayers for the family Joe was a very good person

March 15 at 1:13 AM

KL

Karen And Dwight Landis posted:

We have many memories of Joe working at church and at the Bosold property in Perryton. There is a welcome home party in heaven in Joe's honor. Prayers for his family and friends.

March 14 at 8:41 AM

IB

Irene Bosold posted:

Joe will be missed. He has been a true friend.

March 14 at 8:38 AM

RS

Roger Secrist posted:

I could write a book of good memories and great times spent with "Bill". Thoughts and prayers to the family.

March 14 at 7:32 AM



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SH

Stephanie Harnetty posted:

My sympathy Joe and Kristi as you honor a treasured life.

March 14 at 7:08 AM

KS

Kathy Sterling posted:

My sincere condolences to the family!

March 13 at 10:29 AM

RO

Ruth Osborn posted:

We enjoyed the many years being with him at church and events. He knew the history of many people and places in the Frazeyburg area. Prayers to his family. Danny, Ruth and Janelle Osborn .

March 13 at 8:30 AM

PP

Pam (Moran) Parrill posted:

So sorry to hear of Joe's passing. Prayers to all the family.

March 13 at 7:12 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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