



Eugene "Gene" Ahrendt

March 9, 1929 - July 30, 2020

Eugene "Gene" K. Ahrendt, 91 of Lambertville, Mi., and a longtime resident of Point Place, passed away Thursday July 30, 2020 in his home surrounded by his loving family. The son of John and Linda Ahrendt, he was born in Toledo, Ohio March 9, 1929. He met the love of his life, Bonnie Lee Trace while riding horses at the Lost Peninsula stables. They married August 27, 1949 and shortly thereafter he took a job at the former Tiedtke's as a toy buyer. In 1956 Gene went to work for the Art Mosaic and Tile Co. where he worked his way up until he purchased the company in 1976, becoming Gene's Art Mosaic & Tile Co. His company worked on several large projects in Toledo including 1 Government Center, the Hotel Sofitel, the Toledo Museum of Art, schools, hospitals and other projects in Northwest Ohio. Gene enjoyed many activities with his children including coaching little league baseball with Randy Rydman, attending youth hockey tournaments and driving the church bus for the youth group at Messiah Lutheran Church, where he was a member for 50 years. After his retirement he and his wife became snowbirds, wintering in Yuma, AZ, where he enjoyed golf all year long and they made many wonderful friends. On returning to the Toledo area, they joined Olivet Lutheran Church where he was active in ushering and New Life. He was preceded in death by his parents, stepfather Clark "Red" Wells and brothers Richard and John "Jack" Ahrendt. He is survived by his loving wife of 70 years, Bonnie; children Dianne (Joseph) Stockdale, Julie (Michael) Navarre, Teri (Gary) Hanenkrath and Joel (Cinnia Tillman) Ahrendt; grandchildren Lindsay (Christopher

Marriott) Navarre, Lauren (Erik) Danskin, Kathryn (Brandon) Fields, Erin (Brett) Braun, Amanda (Nick) Mosher, Andrew (Rachel) Hanenkrath, Emily (Jason) Earp and David (Rachael) Navarre ;11 great-grandchildren with two on the way as well as half sister Mary Ann Russell and brother-in-law Robert(Gay) Trace. Due to the pandemic, funeral services will be private. The family would like to thank his caregivers, Marianne and Kristi from Pro Medica Hospice for their compassionate care. Memorials may take the form of contributions to Olivet Lutheran Church, 5840 Monroe St., Sylvania, Ohio 43560. Arrangements by Coyle Funeral Home. Please view and sign our guest registry at coylefuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

RA

“ I often see a certain tile pattern that is very old style these days, but it reminds me of when Mr. A used broken tiles (red and yellow clay) to create a mosaic on the front walk to their old house on 311th street in Point Place. It was the coolest thing to me and so that kind of tile always reminds me of him. But whenever Gene's name comes up in conversation and memories, we laugh about Beamon's Halloween party one year.. A strange man in tan trench coat, hat covering his head and an 'old man' rubber mask kept slithering into the dark corners of the garage all night long... you'd notice him, wonder who was the creepy guy in the corner, and on second glance he would be gone. You saw him again before you bobbed for an apple, and he'd be gone when your head came out of the water barrel. We youngsters wondered for days and eventually guessed it was Mr. A, (by process of elimination, because everyone else in the neighborhood was accounted for), but NOBODY ever fessed up, not even Dianne (if she knew). What a wonderful memory! Even though I'm on the other side of the country, I miss him deeply, yet know Bonnie and family are feeling the loss a thousand times over. My sincere sympathies. Love, Ruthie.

Rah Allison - August 08, 2020 at 09:57 AM

TC

“ To Dianne & Joe, Julie & Mike and the Family of Gene Ahrendt:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences on your father's passing. Clearly, his was a life well lived!

May God be with you all during this time of great sorrow.

Tom Crothers - August 07, 2020 at 02:16 PM

LL

“ With deepest sympathy at the loss of this wonderful, kind soul.
May he rest in peace in the arms of our Lord.

LuLu McAulay Latta - August 07, 2020 at 08:14 AM

AM

“ Julie, Mike, and family - so very sorry to learn of your loss. Hoping
all the memories
you made console you during this very sad time. Prayers for peace
and comfort.
Amy (Klever) Jaksetic

Amy - August 05, 2020 at 01:55 PM

RJ

“ Condolences to you all. Mr and Mrs Ahrendt were wonderful
neighbors for many years. Enjoyed their company and laughs.
Know you will all be in my thoughts and prayers.

Robbie Jasin - August 05, 2020 at 12:53 PM

BH

“ So sorry for your loss. Bob Hiser and all the guys he hung out with
at the Stearns Rd. McDonalds. He will be missed.

Bob Hiser - August 05, 2020 at 08:19 AM

DS

Dad sure missed having breakfast with everyone each morning. Thank
you.

Dianne Stockdale - August 05, 2020 at 11:42 AM

JS

“ *Joseph G Scherting lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Gene" Ahrendt*



Joseph G Scherting - August 05, 2020 at 07:57 AM

JK

“ *John Kurtis lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Gene" Ahrendt*



john kurtis - August 05, 2020 at 04:47 AM

SD

“ I was so very sorry to hear about Mr. Ahrendt's passing. I have so many fond memories of being around him and the entire family. He took me on the Blue Streak at Cedar Point for my first time when I was little. There was no way my dad would take me - but Mr. Ahrendt sure did! I remember him setting off M-80's in the barrels over by the river around the 4th of July. He had an infectious laugh that just made you smile. He always offered to help with projects at our house. I'm so glad I was included in the celebration for his 70th anniversary to Mrs. Ahrendt! He was a wonderful, kind and giving man. He took dad out to Arizona with him after mom died. Dad talked about that trip for a long time! He will certainly be missed by all who knew him. You are all in my prayers.

Sherry Doepker

P.S. I have this picture from dad's 100th birthday party. I thought you might like to see it.



Sherry Doepker - August 04, 2020 at 04:13 PM

DS

Thank you Sherry.

Dianne Stockdale - August 05, 2020 at 11:41 AM

BS

Mr "A" as I always called him was an outstanding influence on my life as I was growing up.

From showing me how to properly install tile, seal up leaks in a boat that I had built, to helping me work on my first house.

He always had the time to listen to you and guide you.

And yes, that infectious laugh!!!

My prayers are with you Mrs. "A" and your family.

Bill Sommers

Bill Sommers - August 06, 2020 at 11:01 AM

AK

So very sorry for your loss. May your fond memories bring you comfort. I wish you peace.

Anne (Vanderkelen) Kwiatkowski

Anne Kwiatkowski - August 07, 2020 at 08:42 AM