



EDWARD BATES

December 2, 1921 - June 20, 2021

BATES, Edward, age 99, of Middletown, Ohio went to be with the Lord on Sunday, June 20, 2021 at Majestic Care where he had been a patient for 10 days. He was born December 2, 1921 in Dry Creek, Kentucky and moved to Middletown in 1960. He served in the U.S. Army for four years, as a combat engineer in the New Guinea Islands. Edward and his father-in-law owned and operated a coal mine for 15 years. He then was employed as a custodian for Middletown City School System for 25 years retiring in 1985. He was a member of The Church at Mayfield, enjoyed cooking and baking, flower and vegetable gardening, and supported the fund raisers for children at the church. Edward loved life and his family. Preceding him in death were his father, Wilson Bates, his mother, Zettie Hall Hooks; his first wife, Ova Mae Moore Bates in 1985 and his second wife, Della Fletcher Bates in 2009; one son, Wayne Edward Bates in 1951; his twin sister, Edna Hunt; sister Ollie Rose Isaacs; one brother, Vince Bates; and his step-father, Oliver Hooks. He is survived by two children, Judith Ashley and husband Pastor Gary Ashley and Denny Bates and wife Cindy; five grandchildren, Megan (Tyler) Williams, Amy (Danny) Smith, Katy (Josh) Smith, James Edward Bates and Jody (Alex) Wall; 15 great grandchildren; one brother, James (Harleen) Bates and numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Friday, June 25, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at The Church at Mayfield, 3315 Burbank Ave., Middletown, Ohio 45044, followed by services at 1:00 p.m. with his son-in-law, Pastor Gary Ashley officiating. Interment will be at Fairmount Cemetery, West

Elkton, Ohio with Military Honors. Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home,
210 S. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.herr-riggs.com

Tribute Wall



“ EDWARD BATES

September 13, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ He will be missed a wonderful man for Jesus who loved to bake and take care of others we love you and will miss you welcome home thou good and faithful servant of Christ The Baker Family

Douglas Baker - June 23, 2021 at 06:45 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of EDWARD BATES.



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“ I'm so sorry for the loss of Ed. I remember him fondly from when I was a little boy. I know his brother (my Papaw) Jim is sure missing him. God bless you Ed, may you rest in peace.



Andrew Sparkman - June 22, 2021 at 08:54 PM



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“ *So sorry to hear about Ed. He was a great man and a great Christian . I am sure that "Mr. Hollywood " is resting in the Lord's beloved sleep. We will miss him and we will always remember him.
Jerry and Ruth McKenzie*

jerry mckenzie - June 22, 2021 at 10:53 AM