



JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY

May 4, 1938 - January 23, 2018

THORNSBERRY, Jackie L., age 79, of Middletown, Ohio passed away Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at his residence. He was born May 4, 1938 in Topmost, Kentucky and moved to Middletown in 1957. He was employed in the East Processing Department at Armco Steel. Jackie enjoyed playing the banjo. Preceding him in death were his parents, Lewis and Dorsie (Childers) Thornsberry; his beloved wife, Dolores in 2011; and six siblings. He will be lovingly remembered by his children, Kathy, Becky, Carolyn and Jack; eight grandchildren; two great grandchildren; two brothers, Norman and Steve; and extended family and friends. There will be a Celebration of Life Service at Buckingham Cemetery, Floyd County, Kentucky at a later date. 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



“ *JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY*

September 13, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



Rebecca - May 11, 2018 at 05:11 PM



“ *Irene Bush (Greg and Scott's mom)*



Irene Bush - February 02, 2018 at 01:35 AM



“ *Played music with Jackie really good times. will miss him! Bob Hamblin*

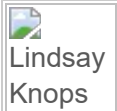
Bob Hamblin - January 30, 2018 at 10:05 PM

CS

“ Dad,
You taught us all how to live and love life, we thank you from our hearts.
Honest, hard working, generous and very wise.
I am SO proud to be your daughter.
Keep on the Sunny Side of Life
I Love You, Dad

Carolyn Sue (Thornsberry) Stacy

Carolyn Stacy - January 30, 2018 at 09:21 AM



Lindsay Knops

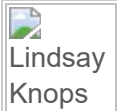
He was simply the best! Love you, Carnie Sue!

Lindsay Knops - January 31, 2018 at 03:11 PM

BH

“ He was everything a man should be. He was my hero. Irene, I will be eternally grateful to you. I would also like to thank the caring hearts at Hospice Care of Middletown and Dr. Kirk Smith. I love you, Dad.

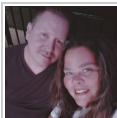
Becky Hollon - January 27, 2018 at 07:35 PM



Lindsay Knops

Back, I could not have said that any better. I think he was everything to each one of us. I can't thank you enough for taking such good care of both him and my Deda. You've dedicated the last decade to them and we love and appreciate you more than you know. Thank you, and I love you!

Lindsay Knops - January 31, 2018 at 03:13 PM



Thank you for accepting us in your home.. It was a honor for Bonnie and I to care for him.

Ricki Robinson - February 01, 2018 at 08:45 PM

TS

“ Todd Stacy lit a candle in memory of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY



Todd Stacy - January 27, 2018 at 08:41 AM



“ I know you have had a hard time. I'll be praying for you. Love you Becca..... Amelia

Jane Krasnonski - January 26, 2018 at 03:07 PM

EM

“ Ed Martin lit a candle in memory of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY



Ed Martin - January 26, 2018 at 02:37 PM


Pamela
Ambrus

“ Becky & Family... I send my deepest condolences such a wonderful man. I know how difficult it to lose a parent. I hope you find comfort in each other and your love. Sending prayers & (((Hugs))). Forever in out hearts.

Pamela (Ledford) Ambrus

Pamela Ambrus - January 25, 2018 at 09:31 PM

KM

“ *Becky,
So sorry for your loss. Your Dad was very lucky to have you to take care of him & love him unconditionally. You are in my thoughts & prayers. Love, Kathy Martin*

Kathy Martin - January 25, 2018 at 08:41 PM



“ *Wendell Hollon lit a candle in memory of
JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY*



Wendell Hollon - January 25, 2018 at 03:28 PM

LS

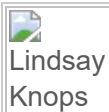
“ As far back as I can remember Uncle Jackie and Aunt Deda were a big part of my life. They were often back home in Kentucky in their first years due to being homesick and layoffs at Armco. We were blessed to have Kathy and Becky spend most of their first years of life with us due to those layoffs. I vividly remember Mamaw Crager crying every time they had to go back home. We didn't get to spend as much time with Carolyn and Jack as we would have liked but we loved them just the same.

Uncle Jackie was kind and caring. And he loved his family like no other. He was always so good to me and my mom and sisters. He loved and took such good care of Aunt Deda and especially during her last years of life. I could just go on and on about the kind of man he was.

I will just say to know him was to love ❤️ him! We we all miss you so much Uncle Jackie!!

Love, hugs and prayers to my cousins and their family's as you all go through this very sad time.

Louise Salisbury - January 25, 2018 at 01:58 PM



Lindsay
Knops

Thank you, Louise! I love to see how many others he made such an impression on. Love to your family!

Lindsay Knops - January 26, 2018 at 01:17 AM

BH

“ I will never forget when my son was in children's hospital and I barely worked any those couple of weeks and Jackie came down and pulled me aside and handed me a hundred dollar bill



Also cool fact my grandma was at dedaws house when my Aunt Peggy rode her scooter up to tell her I was born

Billy harp - January 25, 2018 at 12:34 PM

ME

“ Marie Engle lit a candle in memory of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY



Marie Engle - January 25, 2018 at 12:03 PM

PL

“ Jackie Will be truly missed. We were friends with the Thornsberrys for over 50 years and I love you all so much.



Peggy Roe Lykins - January 25, 2018 at 09:21 AM

LK

Thank you, Peggy! Your mom has always made me feel like family and I know she loved Deda and Papaw. She was so good to him and I can't thank her enough for her help!

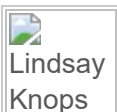
Lindsay (Hocz) Knops - January 25, 2018 at 12:15 PM

IR

“ Irene Roe lit a candle in memory of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY



irene roe - January 25, 2018 at 08:00 AM



Lindsay Knops

Irene, thank you for loving my Papaw and helping take such good care of him. You are such a good friend and we all appreciate your help!

Lindsay Knops - January 25, 2018 at 12:17 PM

KD

“ Kathy Fryman Durbrow sent a virtual gift in memory of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY



Kathy Fryman Durbrow - January 25, 2018 at 07:49 AM

GG

“ I only saw Uncle Jackie a few times in my life, but I vividly remember them! I remember that he was a genuinely sincere man who loved to love other people. And yes, I do remember him playing the banjo, too! He was really good! When my dad died in 95, he consoled me with a few kind words at the funeral. Even though I barely knew him, I could continue with utter admirable comments about him. However, I will simply end right here and ask God to comfort all of Uncle Jackie's loved ones who are in mourning at this time! God Bless everyone...!

George Gozzard - January 24, 2018 at 08:51 PM



sorry for your loss

Eliza Miller - January 25, 2018 at 12:48 AM

LK

“ Our family has been blessed with the best man I personally have ever known, our Papaw.



Our Papaw was the ultimate family man. He loved Dolores, our sweet Deda, with every fiber of his being and it showed in everything he did. Growing up, I knew that I had to find someone to love me like he loved her. (And Papaw, I did.)

His children meant everything to him and he was always so proud of them, no matter where they may have landed after leaving Middletown. Mom, Becky, Carnie Sue...take comfort in knowing how much he loved you, his three beautiful girls. You were his pride and joy!

There simply was no better grandpa. He loved all 8 of us fiercely and we always knew that he was on our side. He was quick with a "Papaw Talk" when you needed it and always gave the best advice. He shared my political views and so many of my thoughts on life, and talking to him was always comforting. He and Deda were such active grandparents, and I have beautiful memories of spending summers in Middletown with you, Tyler. In my head, they're still just about 50 and keeping us busy: Hueston Woods, Germantown Dam, Mammoth Cave, Tecumseh. Papaw loved to be outside, and he made sure we did, too.

I'll always remember him as the healthiest person I knew, jogging and taking immaculate care of his house and his yard. I loved to listen to him play the banjo so I could pretend to "clog", and I just wish I had gotten a little of his talent. I loved helping Deda pack his lunch for his overnights at Armco, and I loved staying at their house and waiting for him to get home in the morning.

Papaw, I would give anything for my little Ava to have gotten the full experience of the love you and Deda showed us. She would have loved your banjo, and she might actually be the one of us that you

could have passed on your craft to. She's so proud to share your birthday, and every year on May 4 we'll celebrate with some bluegrass and a whole lot of love.

Jackie Thornsberry, you are already loved and missed more than you know, by so many. Thank you for being both a dad and a Papaw to me. Thank you for everything you've done for us. Most of all, thank you for loving us. We are all so lucky to have had you in our lives.

All my love, my Papaw,

Lindsay Rae, Dave, and Ava

Lindsay (Hocz) Knops - January 24, 2018 at 03:32 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of JACKIE L. THORNSBERRY.*



January 24, 2018 at 01:52 PM