



Clarence Ben Dohner

February 19, 1933 - June 21, 2021

Clarence “Ben” Dohner, 88, of Annville died Monday, June 21, 2021, at the Hershey Medical Center. He was the husband of Doris G. Peiffer Dohner. Born in Lebanon on February 19, 1933, he was the son of the late Clarence S. Dohner and the late Josephine M. Seabold Dohner. Ben was a Veteran of the United States Army during the Korean War. He attended St. Stephens Christian Fellowship Church in Lebanon and was a member of the Annville-Cleona School Board, and the Lebanon Career and Technology Center School Board.

Surviving in addition to his wife is a son, Douglas Dohner, husband of Shawnie of Texas, a daughter, Dawn Breidigan of Delaware, a sister, Janice Ream of Lebanon, 3 grandchildren, Casey Breidigan, Timothy Breidigan, Scott Dohner, and a great granddaughter, Brooklyn. He is preceded in death by his 2 sisters, Joanne Martin, and Mary Jane Pavenski.

A public viewing will be held from 6:00PM to 8:00PM on Monday, June 28 at Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, 618 East Main Street Annville, PA 17003. An additional public viewing will be held from 8:30AM to 9:30AM on Tuesday, June 29 at the Funeral Home. Burial with Military Honors will be held at 10:00AM on Tuesday at the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, Annville is overseeing arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc
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Public Viewing

JUN 29. 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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Interment

JUN 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

“ I would like to share my memories about my Uncle Ben's life as I know it. When I was a little , I was so afraid of him. When my parents his sister Joanne my father Garfield, would visit his house he would drop his teeth, and look like a Jack-o-Lantern scary pumpkin. I refuse to go in their house I would sit in the car and wait for hours on my parents to come out. When I was around 9 years old, my mom Joanne would take us to bingo to help sweep floors and clean out ashtrays we used to clean the original bingo chips. When I was 10 or 11 I started playing bingo beside Lucy Billingham. I was able to play 21 cards with regular bingo chips. That was pretty amazing. My mom worked at Bingo and I was able to play for free. At intermission I would help Aunt Merle and deliver hot dogs and sodas to people. I remember Dougie calling bingo at such a young age.

The flood of 1972 was a change of everybody's life. We got flooded out on 7th and Willow St. Uncle Ben had purchased land in the mountains. And flooded out trailers were bought at Pushniks dinner and placed up in the mountains. Which changed our lives. We had no running water or electricity for a couple weeks. Mom and Aunt Doris scrubbed muddy dirt left behind from the flood, with heated propane and 5 gallon hauled buckets of water the natural spring down the dirt lane. But it was our new home and a solution to a problem. My new father Nate Martin built Apartments for Uncle Ben , probably as a payback for the flooded Out trailer. It was a good life. I was 11 at that time. Brother Greg was 12 my sister Cindy was 13 and Tami wasn't even a year old.

Right before I was twenty-five years old my accident happened. Uncle Ben paid off my home in Annville. Interest-free loan until I was able to pay him back. When I was able he purchased \$500 savings bonds for each my girls. I was thankful , I had no money and physical ability to pay off my loan at People's Bank. My husband at the time was worthless and my parents had no money to help me out. My cousin Dougie purchased a new van so that I can go to college and have transportation for my girls.

When it's all said and done. My uncle Ben tried to do the best he could under the circumstances. For everyone knows money can't buy the most precious things in life. We are here today and maybe You might be gone tomorrow so let's put good footprints on each others hearts.

*May you be at peace Uncle Ben.
With all my love and gratitude*

Debbie Williams

Debra Williams - June 28, 2021 at 09:53 PM

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“ *My sincere heartfelt condolences to Doris and family, Just saw the two of you a couple of weeks ago. May God give you strength and sustain you during this time,.*

Sorrowfully yours...CAROL from uptown bingo

Carol Hymon-Huitt - June 28, 2021 at 04:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.*



June 27, 2021 at 09:43 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.*



June 26, 2021 at 02:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.*



June 26, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.*



June 25, 2021 at 10:53 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss Doris Doug and Dawn. Prayers for your family.*

Darrell Tumey - June 25, 2021 at 09:36 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.



June 24, 2021 at 10:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.



June 24, 2021 at 07:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Clarence Ben Dohner.



June 24, 2021 at 02:39 PM