



Earl W. Ziegler

July 5, 1929 - May 23, 2026

Earl W. Ziegler, 96, of Fredericksburg, passed away on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at his home. He was the husband of Patricia A. (Zidik) Ziegler. They would have celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on July 18th.

Born in Fredericksburg on July 5, 1929, he was the son of the late Philip and Cora (Peiffer) Ziegler. Earl was born on the family farm and worked as a dairy farmer his entire life. The farm has been in the family for nearly 110 years. In September 2025, Earl was featured in an article in LebTown where he shared the history of his 3rd generation farm. He was one of the first farmers in the county to preserve his farm with the Lebanon Co. Conservation District. He was a member of St. John's U.C.C., Fredericksburg and the Fredericksburg Lion's Club. Earl had been a member of Young Farmers and the PA Farm Bureau where he had served as the Lebanon County Farm Bureau Director. For many years he served on the Cedar Hill Cemetery board. He enjoyed hunting, traveling and eating out.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sons Richard E. (Stephanie) Ziegler of Lebanon and Randy L. (Charlene) Ziegler of Fredericksburg; step-sons Thomas R. (Vicki) Umbenhauer of Richland and Dale J. Umbenhauer of NC; step-daughter Ann M. (Christopher) Allwein of Annville; nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; and his special friend Ernie.

He was preceded in death by his son Paul Ziegler, step-son David A. Umbenhauer, brothers Frank and Roy Ziegler, and sister Edna Rittle.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, June 1, 2026, at the Creamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory, Jonestown. There will be a visitation one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to his church at P.O. Box 87, Fredericksburg, PA 17026 or to WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospice, 252 S. 4th St., Lebanon, PA 17042.

Previous Events

Public Visitation

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (DST)

Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory
5 Campmeeting Road
Jonestown, PA 17038
(717) 865-5215

Memorial Service

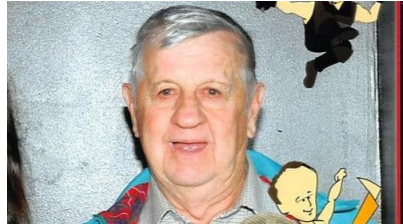
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Tribute Wall



“ *Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Earl W. Ziegler*



Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. - May 28 at 01:45 PM

MG

That was beautiful. Earl was a wonderful person. Thanks for this video Ray(sonny) and. Marilyn.

Marilyn Gerhart - June 15 at 04:02 PM

OH

“ *Our sympathy, Joseph & Rachel Hoover purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Earl W. Ziegler.*



Our sympathy, Joseph & Rachel Hoover - June 09 at 10:45 AM

RH

“ Earl was a childhood icon to me. My acquaintance began when I was 4 yrs old, and our family began renting the Ziegler farm. I have many beautiful memories of growing up there, surrounded by nature, and watching Earl drive around the farm to scout the crops. One could always see his fondness for what he was doing. I would stand for long periods of time, admiring the old pickup he kept in the shed - how I wished for a ride in that beautiful truck! He and Pat always celebrated our birthdays with a gift and a card. We were always so excited over those gifts, and Earls made us feel special. His enthusiasm for farming, nature, and a good joke, made me fond of him. I loved listening to his stories and his reminiscing! His memory will forever stay with me.

*My love and sympathy to the family.
Fondly,
Rachel (Martin) Hoover*

Rachel Hoover - June 09 at 10:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Earl W. Ziegler.

May 31 at 10:26 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Earl W. Ziegler.



May 29 at 06:15 PM



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