



Joseph S. Meily

February 24, 1936 - September 9, 2019

Joseph S. Meily, 83, of Lebanon, passed away on Monday, September 9, 2019, at his home after a courageous battle with cancer. He was the husband of Margaret L. "Peggy" Troop Meily. On June 1st, they celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Born on his farm in N. Lebanon Twp. on February 24, 1936, he was the son of the late Robert and Maggie Strohman Meily. Joe was a dairy farmer. He spent his entire life on the farm. He kept the dairy farm going while spending 30 years teaching in the Cornwall Lebanon School District. For many years, he worshipped at the Jonestown Bible Church where he served as deacon and junior church leader. More recently, he worshipped at the Annville United Christian Church. Joe's greatest treasure was his family, and his favorite times were when the family was all together.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughters Judy wife of Bill Atkins, Linda wife of Scott Artz, and Karen wife of Bill Simpson, all of Lebanon; grandchildren Dan & Steph Atkins, Wendy & Rod Weber, Nate & Emily Artz, Billie & Steve Kramer, Gretchen & Matt Bachman, Andy Atkins, Kirk & Janelle Artz, Sammi & Justin Brown, Hannah & Bryson Brown and Jon Simpson; 21 great grandchildren; and sister Alverta Light of Palmyra.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Brenda Jo Meily and six brothers & sisters.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. at the Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church, 600 Shepherd St.,

Jonestown. A viewing will be held on Friday evening from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory, Rt. 72 & Camp Meeting Rd., Jonestown, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will follow at Grand View Memorial Park, N. Annville Twp., followed by a luncheon at the church for all who wish to attend.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 897, Hershey, PA 17033.

Cemetery Details

Grand View Memorial Park

500 N. Weber Street
Lebanon, PA 17046

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory
5 Campmeeting Road
Jonestown, PA 17038

Public Viewing

SEP 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church
600 Shepherd Street
Jonestown, PA 17038

Funeral Service

SEP 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church
600 Shepherd Street
Jonestown, PA 17038

Tribute Wall

JK

“ I remember Mr Meily as one of my teachers at Cedar Crest Middle School, he was always there for his students. Sorry for your loss to his family.

Jennifer Koch - September 21, 2019 at 06:43 AM

JR

“ Always a smile and a happy Welcome. Many memories of our Thanksgiving at the Grange. He will be missed by many.

Joyce (Troop) Ray

Joyce Ray - September 13, 2019 at 07:10 AM

SD

“ I always enjoyed spending time on the Meily farm as a child and teenager. I liked "helping" with some of the work (which I did very little) but knowing that Mr. Meily did a lot of work all the time. It was always a joy to see his smile, but inwardly he probably wondered what mischief all the girls surrounding him would get into next. Yes, he was way outnumbered when it came to females vs males, but he didn't seem to mind and always welcomed us with open arms. As the years went by, I saw less and less of him; but when I did, I always knew that I'd still see that wonderful smile and know that he was glad to see me. I thank the Lord for wonderful memories and the confidence that "Because He Lives" I can face tomorrow no matter what tomorrow might bring.

Your paw will be greatly missed, family, but know that he will not be forgotten.

Love,
Sue (Susie) Dailey

Susan Dailey - September 12, 2019 at 08:25 PM