



Ray A. Fahnestock

October 31, 1948 - February 12, 2026

Ray A. Fahnestock, 77, of Lebanon passed away on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at his home surrounded by his family. He was the husband of Karen M. (Light) Fahnestock. They celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary this past October 29th.

Born in Lebanon on October 31, 1948, he was the son of Vera L. (Gibbel) Fahnestock of Myerstown and the late J. Kenneth Fahnestock. Ray graduated from Northern Lebanon with the Class of 1967. He worked as a carpenter during his working career for David R. Alspaugh, Builder. Ray spent his life prioritizing his family. He was a builder, singer/songwriter, and loved to create with his hands. He was a man of strength, generosity, and served others in many ways.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children: Fallow K. Fahnestock of Myerstown, Jesse L. husband of Jodi Fahnestock of Coatesville, Axis A. wife of Esteban Varas of Coatesville, Aaron K. husband of Ahna Fahnestock of Cambridge, MN, Daniel A. husband of Ashlyn Fahnestock of Lebanon and Ezra L. husband of Tayrinne Fahnestock of Lebanon; twenty-one grandchildren; and siblings: Jean Musselman of Schaefferstown, Janet Rissler of Bradenton, FL, Karen Schoffstall of Grantville, and Bruce Fahnestock of Blue Mounds, WI. He was preceded in death by a child and five grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Living Waters Chapel, 1900 Jay St., Lebanon, PA 17046. There will be a visitation at 10:00 a.m. until the start of the service. Burial will be at Grand View Memorial Park at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Grand View Memorial Park

500 N. Weber Street
Lebanon, PA 17046

Previous Events

Public Visitation

FEB 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Living Waters Chapel
1900 Jay Street
Lebanon, PA 17046

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

DC

“ Deborah Price Copus purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Ray A. Fahnestock.



Deborah Price Copus - February 23 at 06:11 PM

DC

“ Deborah Price Copus planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ray A. Fahnestock.

Deborah Price Copus - February 23 at 06:11 PM

JC

“ Jonathan, Jackie, Kristin, Timothy Copus purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ray A. Fahnestock.



Jonathan, Jackie, Kristin, Timothy Copus - February 18 at 10:02 AM

JC

“ Jonathan, Jackie, Kristin, Timothy Copus planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ray A. Fahnestock.

Jonathan, Jackie, Kristin, Timothy Copus - February 18 at 10:02 AM

JB

“ I always enjoyed my time with Ray and his dry sense of humor always brought a smile to my face. I really appreciated how he included his family in ministry opportunities, sometimes in the face of some opposition. Way to go, Ray. Welcome to your rest with the Lord.

Jeff Boyum - February 17 at 09:54 PM

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“ Ray was always so kind to me and a big smile on his face. I will always remember him playing Jesus in Heavens Gates and Hells Flames at church. Now he gets to meet Jesus and be with him.

Jordan Cobblah (Walmer) - February 17 at 03:02 AM

JC

“ Jordan Cobblah (Walmer) and Alex Cobblah purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ray A. Fahnestock.



Jordan Cobblah (Walmer) and Alex Cobblah - February 17 at 12:41 AM

MG

“ Ray was always offering an encouraging word & smile to me at church . He will be missed.

Melody Good - February 16 at 09:58 PM



“ *Heartfelt Comfort Charcuterie Gift Set was purchased for the family of Ray A. Fahnestock.*



February 16 at 09:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ray A. Fahnestock.*



February 16 at 05:28 PM



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