



Bennett Lees

January 28, 1929 - January 17, 2017

Bennett Ora Lees, age 87 of Hebron, OH, passed into eternity Tuesday, January 17, 2017. He was born January 28, 1929, to the late Denzill Oren and Blanche Claggett Lees of Hebron, OH. On July 2, 1950, he married Ethel Ruth Warner of Homer, OH. At the time of his passing, Ben and Ruth were married 66 years. To their union was born six children: Ken (Diane); the late Joe (Lori); Charles (Millie); the late Ben Dean; Linda (Mark) Billenstein; and Ray (Matt). He had twenty grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents and two sons, he was preceded in death by three sisters: Ruth Hayden, Esther Baker and Mary Brown; and three brothers: Willis Lees, Don Lees and Denzill Lees, Jr. Ben was a 1946 graduate of Union Rural School. He also received a two-year short-course agricultural degree from Michigan State University in 1950. He was an active member of the Heath Church of Christ, where he was a member of the church's missionary committee. He served honorably as an elder and Sunday school teacher for 25 years. Together, Ben and Ruth stayed on their Hebron farmland until they sold the BenRuth Holstein Farm in November 1984. Ben would then retire after 12 years working as a courier for Park National Bank, Newark, OH, in 2002. Visitation will be at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St., Worthington, OH, on Saturday, January 21, 2017, from 10 a.m. to noon. The funeral will immediately follow, with Ray Linn and David Mason, ministers, officiating.

Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. the same day in Wilson Cemetery, Newark, OH. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Heath Church of Christ or the Ohio Living Hospice at ohioliving.org/foundation/donate. The family would like to thank the caring staffs of Ohio Living Hospice and Laurels of Norworth.

Cemetery Details

Wilson Cemetery

4254 Marion Rd NE
Newark, OH 43055

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 21. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085
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Funeral Service

JAN 21. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wow its been eight years without you. We miss you everyday I hope looking down on me your proud.* ”

josiah lees - June 17, 2025 at 09:29 AM



“ *Bennett Lees* ”

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bennett Lees.* ”



January 20, 2017 at 04:11 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bennett Lees.* ”



January 19, 2017 at 10:35 AM



“ *Ben and Ruth were like adopted parents to my husband and I in the early 1970's after we had moved to Ohio from Michigan. They cared for our two infant/toddler children, Teresa and Doug, while we were gone on Bible Bowl trips. Our sympathy to the entire Lees family.*
Lyle and Judy Welch

Judy Welch - January 19, 2017 at 08:46 AM



“ *So sorry for Ben's loss. What an amazing life! So glad to have known him and all the Lees family!*

God Bless you all!
Lanie Blackburn

Lanie Blackburn - January 18, 2017 at 07:45 PM