



Ralph Foster Dodd

March 23, 1927 - December 28, 2018

Ralph F. Dodd, 91, of Powell, Ohio passed away on Friday, December 28th at the Kobacker House with his loving family by his side.

Ralph was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 70 years, Milly and 4 daughters Suzy and husband Glenn; Debbie and husband Tim; Beth and husband Will; and Peggy Lyn. He leaves 11 adored grandchildren, and their special dog Charlie.

Ralph, the youngest of seven children, was born in Paris Crossing, Indiana to Cora and Eldo Dodd. He served in the U.S. Navy. He briefly worked with his father at the Dodd Funeral Home in Paris Crossing. He graduated from Hanover College in 1951. He taught school and had other jobs before signing on with American Electric Power. His 40-year career with AEP took him and his family from Madison Indiana, to Verona, New Jersey, and to Powell Ohio. He made many lifelong friends along the way. During retirement Ralph and Milly spent many happy winters enjoying fun and sun with their treasured friends in Florida.

Ralph was adventurous and fun-loving. His sense of humor was legendary. He will most be remembered for his generosity, kindness, compassion and love for his family and friends.

Funeral Services will be held Monday December 31 at the Rutherford Funeral Home on 450 West Olentangy Street Powell Ohio. Visitation is from 9 AM to 11AM. The service is at 11:00 at the funeral home. Burial is to follow at 1PM at Cheshire Cemetery in Delaware Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Hospice/Kobacker House C/O:
Ohio Health Foundation, 180 East broad Street, Floor 31, Columbus, OH
43215

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **31**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Foster Dodd*

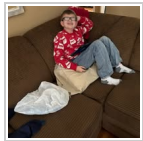


Rutherford Funeral Homes - December 30, 2018 at 05:53 PM



“ *Ralph Foster Dodd*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Condolences to my grade school friend Susie Dodd for her loss of her father . Prayers Shirley Wright Ward*

Shirley Ward - August 18, 2019 at 11:20 AM

TW

“ I met Ralph Dodd the first week of 1981 when I walked into AEP at 2 Broadway, New York, NY. Ralph was an incredible boss. His young engineers immediately became aware that Ralph and Milly had all girls. So, we 22-35 year olds became like sons to him. He was so patient with us when we would walk into the office in the same suit we were wearing the previous day. It was NYC, and we were young men. And like his girls, we engineers could watch the cigar in his mouth and soon learned we could tell whether or not he was disappointed depending on that cigar. He became like a father to so many of us. He taught us not just Chemistry, but set an example for us to follow and take with us when we moved on. Ralph was a great man in numerous ways. I am honored to have known him.

Tom Wright - August 14, 2019 at 01:20 AM

MB

“ What a great man. Always greeted you with a smile and something nice to say. Was dearly loved in the neighborhood and will leave a lasting impression on the kids with being treated with a story and a popsicle. Its admirable knowing that Ralph won the game of life. We will celebrate the life he lived, a job well done.

Mark, Sandy, Stephen, Laura and Justin Bichsel

Mark Bichsel - December 31, 2018 at 01:15 PM

 Bridget Baird

“ Millie and family. I am so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed seeing you together when you came to the office. Take care and may GOD keep you close in this time of sorrow.
Bridget from primary care

Bridget Baird - December 31, 2018 at 10:14 AM

NI

“ *Ralph will be greatly missed by all his friends. We cannot imagine a kinder person to have as a neighbor. He made all the kids feel like his own grandchildren, and welcomed all of us over for a beer or popsicle every time he saw us. He always had a good joke and positive attitude, and a treat for the dogs. We wish there were more Ralphs out there.....our condolences to the family... one in a million for sure.*

*Mike, Nicole, Natalie and Ian Kramer
(neighbors and friends)*

Nicole - December 31, 2018 at 09:57 AM

DM

“ *Such a sweet & kind man who will endure in many hearts along with his Charlie. Enjoyed my talks with him & hearing about his Navy stories! Words are hard to convey, however many blessings to my very good friend Peggy, his family & the love of his life, Milly. ❤️*

Donna Malatesta - December 29, 2018 at 07:21 PM