



## William G. "Jerry" Bende, Sr.

December 9, 1944 - May 25, 2022

William (Jerry) Bende, Sr. passed away May 25, 2022, at The James Cancer Hospital, comforted by the love of his family. Jerry was born December 9, 1944, in Steubenville, Ohio, to William and Dorathy (Cline) Bende. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters Joyce Dotson and Gloria Zalewski and his beloved daughter Monica. Jerry is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Amelia (Millie) (Pegnalitti); devoted children Amy (Jim) Baker of Plain City and William (JJ) Jr. (Nicole) of Columbus; and his treasured grandchildren Madison, Cade, Amedeo, and Jersey. Jerry earned his bachelor of science degree from the College of Steubenville in 1968, and retired from AEP in 2010 where he worked as a senior cost analyst for 41 years. Above all else, Jerry loved his family. They came first, especially his grandkids. He would drop everything for them. Jerry most enjoyed the trips the entire family took all together and a good meal, especially feasting on crab with Millie on the Chesapeake Bay. All who knew him know that he was a generous man, a hard worker, and had the neatest, cleanest home, both inside and out. Besides traveling, he spent his

retirement doing the things that brought him joy: relaxing with a good book, swimming with his grandkids, cleaning, and working in the yard. Friends and family may call on Tuesday, May 31, from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society or St. Jude Children's Hospital.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

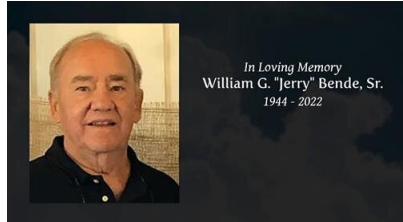
MAY 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of William G. "Jerry" Bende, Sr.



Rutherford Funeral Homes - May 27, 2022 at 04:11 PM



*Pictures really are worth a thousand words. What a beautiful photographic tribute to Jerry. He was an amazing dad and grandfather and will be dearly missed by all. I will always remember his laugh and his great sense of humor. We send our condolences to all of the family. Charity and Drew Huffman*

Charity Huffman - May 28, 2022 at 01:02 PM

JA

*This is beautiful* ❤️

jackie - May 29, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ William G. "Jerry" Bende, Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Millie so sorry to hear the passing of jerry. I've known him since I was a little kid. Condolences to you and your family. Fly high with the angels Jerry.

carole vuksanovich antill - June 02, 2022 at 06:37 AM

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“ To the Jerry Bende Family,  
I had the privilege of working with Jerry in the accounting office at Gavin. He was my first boss there and one of my favorite people to ever work for. So very sorry for your loss. Sympathy and prayers to all of his family

*Darla Kelly Staats*

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**Darla Staats** - June 01, 2022 at 02:03 PM

JJ

“ Jackie and Bill / Jay purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William G. "Jerry" Bende, Sr..



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**Jackie and Bill / Jay** - May 29, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William G. "Jerry" Bende, Sr..



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May 26, 2022 at 07:55 PM