



Ralph Edwin Poetker

September 30, 1931 - February 2, 2020

Ralph Edwin Poetker, age 88 of Jackson passed away Sunday, February 2, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born September 30, 1931 in South Webster, Ohio to the late Oscar and Ruth Ann (Rose) Poetker.

He graduated from Jackson High School in 1951 and shortly after enlisted in the United States Navy having served in the Korean War. Ralph was a retired maintenance mechanic from the Piketon Atomic Plant. He was a member of the Jackson Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, past President of the Gallipolis Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, a member of the Southern Ohio Wood Carvers Association, Boy Scouts of America "Boy Scout Troop 48", active 4-H adviser and was the Past President of the Jackson Alumni Association.

He is survived by his children: Vicki Kille, Mike (Maureen) Poetker, Tim (Will) Poetker, Jane (Dreama) Poetker and Mark (Penny) Poetker, brother: David (Reina) Poetker. He was also survived by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, first wife: Ramona Jean Poetker, second wife: Delores Poetker, brothers: Murl and Walter Poetker, sister: Emma Jane Walton and son-in-law: Buddy Kille.

Funeral services will be held at 1PM Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at the Jackson Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 181 Breaden Ave, Jackson, Ohio with President Caleb Orton officiating. Burial will be in the South Webster Cemetery with military graveside honors by the DAV. Family will receive friends from 11AM up to the time of the funeral at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donation can be made to: The Markay Cultural Arts Center, C/O Southern Ohio Arts Council in Ralph's name to PO Box 149, Jackson, Ohio 45640.

A Special thanks to the PCM nurses and Paula Arthur from heartland hospice for their care for Ralph.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home.

Condolences can be emailed to: www.mayhew-brownfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

South Webster Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Jackson Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
181 Breaden Ave
Jackson, OH 45640

Funeral Service

FEB 5. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph was a man who would do anything for people and he always wanted to do more.*

Tony Lavinder

Tony Lavinder - April 11, 2020 at 05:36 PM

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“ *Ralph was the first District Commissioner that I worked with as a new District Executive in the Shawnee District in Jackson. It was great working with him. I'll never forget his carvings and the recognitions that he made. He had such a love for Scouting and set a fine example for Scouters in the entire Chief Logan Council. I'll never forget his example. My condolences to Mike, Tim, Jane, Mark and the entire family.*

Tom Mills April 8, 2020

Tom Mills - April 08, 2020 at 07:53 PM

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“ *Your dad had such a positive impact on so many people through his many years in Scouting. I have to smile when I think of all of the stories and memories of your dad from my Scouting years. He will certainly be missed, and our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Brent Richards - February 06, 2020 at 10:35 AM

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“ *I knew your dad many years ago. He was great person. Sorry to hear of his passing.*

James E Ephlin - February 05, 2020 at 01:49 PM

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“ *Tim and Jane, I am so sorry for your loss! I remember your dad well. I have such great memories of all of us at camp when we were in high school! My prayers are with you and your whole family!*
Nancy (McKell) Gomez.

Nancy Gomez - February 05, 2020 at 11:25 AM