



Dr. Robert F. Keefer

May 27, 1930 - May 2, 2017

Dr. Robert F. Keefer, age 86 of Bellaire, OH died Tuesday, May 2, 2017 in Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling, WV.

He was born May 27, 1930 in Wheeling, the son of the late Attorney W. Frank and Claire Kilgore Keefer.

He was a member of Riverview Bible Church, and Belmont county Farm Bureau; a US Army Veteran; a graduate of Cornell University, and he earned his PHD in Agronomy from Ohio State University; and was a retired Professor at WVU for over 30 years, having taught soil science which will help many generations.

Of all the titles Robert acquired in life, his favorite title was “Farmer”, he enjoyed living and working the family farm where he raised delicious blueberries to the delight of many local citizens.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, William J. Keefer; and a nephew, Gregory W. Keefer.

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca Shreves Keefer who he was devoted to; four children, Jeff (Karen) Keefer of San Diego, CA, Brian (Lettie) Keefer of Santo Rosa, CA, Lynn (Rob) Barnett of Clearwater, FL, and Jennifer (Frank) McMurry of Missoula, Montana; two step-children, Jon (Hope) Walatka of Bellaire, and Teresa (Dell) Cox of Layton, Utah; a brother, Dr. F. Jay (Susanne) Keefer of Wheeling; a sister-in-law, Barbara Cresa Keefer of Washington, PA; four granddaughters; and six grandsons.

Robert requested there be no visitation.

Private services will be held at the family farm.

Cemetery Details

Grisell Crematory

Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my family’s heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in the fond memories of them, and The Almighty God’s promise to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth, as written in The Bible for our comfort.

Greene Family - May 09, 2017 at 11:14 AM

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“ Our heart felt condolences to the entire Keefer family, especially Dr. Jay and Susie Keefer. My memories of times shared with you on the farm in our youth rank very near the top of my most cherished memories.

Chuck & Maria Hall

Charles Hall - May 06, 2017 at 11:43 AM

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“ Dr. F.J. KEEFER & Family,

Hi, Dr. KEEFER, I saw this sad news about your Brother on line, so very sorry for your loss. I hope you and your Family are all well and in good health.

I now live in North Carolina, we moved here about 10 years ago, we love it down here! I just wanted you to know that I will never forget you, you cross my mind alot, especially when it's time to go to the Gynecologist. Please except my sincere sympathy, I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Your former patient, Samra Munjas Smith.

*With Warm Regards,
Samra*

SAMRA M. SMITH - May 04, 2017 at 02:24 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

May your memories of Robert F. Keefer, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten..

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

US Army Veteran, Robert F. Keefer, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - May 04, 2017 at 06:30 AM