



William "Roger" R. Eppley

August 27, 1926 - October 28, 2014

William R., "Roger" Eppley, 88 of Zanesville, died 6:30 AM Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at The Oaks at Bethesda following a lengthy illness. He was born Friday, August 27, 1926 in Zanesville, the son of Orville and Jessica (Hague) Eppley. He married Rita (Smithberger) Eppley on Thursday, May 1, 1952 and was a very dedicated and active member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

Roger served his country as a veteran of the United States Army during WW II. He served with Company C, 160th Infantry in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater where he was awarded two Bronze Stars. Roger along with his father and brother were owners and operators of Zane Market. Roger was a faithful volunteer at Genesis Good Samaritan Medical Center from 1994 till 2012 where he volunteered four days a week accumulating many thousands of hours. He was a loving and caring husband, father and grandfather who enjoyed following his children and grandchildren in all their activities. Roger enjoyed history; especially the civil war, reading many, many books on the subject. He was an avid Rosecrans fan and supporter. Roger enjoyed traveling with this wife and had a great sense of humor and enjoyed telling jokes and stories even during his illness. Roger always had a smile and never met a stranger.

Roger is survived by his wife of 62 years: Rita Eppley; three children: Dave & Renee Eppley of Zanesville, Susan & John Kozak of Heath and Dan & Anne

Eppley of Powell, nine grandchildren: Dr. Jennifer & Dr. Peter Liu of Ann Arbor, MI, Tina & Chris Burns of San Diego, CA, Lindsay & Will Englefield of Heath, Michael Kozak and his fiancée Jessie Paliwoda of San Diego, CA; Drew Eppley of Zanesville, Alex Eppley of Dublin, Grant Eppley of Zanesville, Madison Eppley &, Andrew Eppley both of Powell; three great grandchildren: William Englefield, Brody Burns and Andrew Liu and many nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to his parents, Roger was preceded in death by his twin brother: J. Richard Eppley and one sister: Martha Thorla

Friends may call from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Friday, October 31, 2014 at The Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, Zanesville where the Rosary will be recited at 7:45 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:30 AM Saturday, November 1, 2014 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church with Fr. Martin J. Ralko as celebrant. Burial will follow in Zanesville Memorial Park with VFW Post 1058 and the United States Army conducting Full Military Honors. Memorial contributions may be made to the William R. "Roger" Eppley Memorial Scholarship Fund, to further catholic education in Roger's memory. To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note please visit www.hilliscombsnestor.com

Cemetery Details

Zanesville Memorial Park

1475 Military Road
Zanesville, OH 43701

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Roger" R. Eppley*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Mr. Eppley. I was unable to go to calling, so I just wanted to let the family know my prayers are with them at this sad time. He was a very gentle man and well loved. May your memories sustain you and may God Bless You.*

Sherry Erhard - November 06, 2014 at 05:02 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss! Dave, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time!*

Carolyn (Smith) Rinehart - October 31, 2014 at 09:27 AM



“ *For Rita and all his family. I will always remember Roger's sweet smile whenever I saw him. He was an amazing man,*

Kathaleen Soter, Hospice Clown and Nurse - October 31, 2014 at 09:12 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of William "Roger" R. Eppley.*



October 31, 2014 at 12:23 AM

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“ We are so very sorry for your loss, and the entire family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Sue Grear

Mike & Cathy Freriks

Cathy Freriks - October 30, 2014 at 05:49 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William "Roger" R. Eppley.



October 30, 2014 at 01:01 PM

JG

“ My thoughts and prayers to the entire Eppley family. I have such fond memories of being neighbors on Eppley Avenue so many years ago! You all have held a special place in my heart! Roger was a remarkable man and will be missed.

Fondly, Janet Beitzel Geswein

janet geswein - October 30, 2014 at 07:38 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Roger" R. Eppley.



October 29, 2014 at 07:36 PM