



## Joe O. Beardsley

March 15, 1945 - June 8, 2023

Joe O. Beardsley, 78 of Wurtland, Ky departed from this life Thursday morning, June 8, 2023 at his home following a long illness.

Joe was born March 15, 1945 in Franklin County Ohio to the late Clifford and the late Edith Knauber Beardsley. In addition to his parents Joe is preceded in death by one brother, Jack Beardsley.

He was a 1963 graduate of Huntington East high school, served six years in the Army National Guard and was one of many called to search the mountains after the Marshall University plane crash in 1970. Joe was employed by Armco from 1977 until 1992 and was a foreman with the shipping department the last five years before retiring from AK Middletown Works in 2003.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Alice Barker Beardsley; one daughter, Angel (Lynn Doss); Beardsley one sister, Judi (Jerry) Smith of Conroe, TX; three stepsons, Craig (Laura) Barker of Argillite, Anthony (Carla) Barker of Westwood, Brian (Tressie) Barker of South Shore; six grandchildren, Justin Barker of Fargo, ND, Sadaria (Bryce) Feck of Richmond, KY, Braeden Barker of Westwood, Aaron Barker of South Shore, Garrett Barker of Argillite, Ashton Barker of South Shore; two great grandchildren Moya Lynn Barker of Ft. Myers, FL, Raylan Barker of Fargo, ND; best friend of 46 years, Bill (Gloria) Queen.

Joe never settled in at AK Middletown Works. He remained vocal about wanting to move back home to be with his family. He often came home from work saying his coworkers told him to click his heels together or that the ones

who cry the loudest stay the longest.

Joe decided to take early retirement in 2003 and spent the next 20 years riding his Harley, cruising in his old 1976 Cadillac, camping with grandkids or sitting in his garage entertaining his friends with a beer, shooting pool or showing off the collectibles that some would refer to as hoarding.

He never regretted his decision to come back home, often saying he should have done it sooner.

Per family request there will be no public service.

Arrangements entrusted to Evans Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

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alice - June 20, 2023 at 04:07 PM

PD

“ My heart is saddened at the news of your passing. Many wonderful memories with family long ago. Sending prayers to Angel and family. God Bless  
Pat & Larry jr, and Lisa



Pat. Dufore - June 14, 2023 at 10:05 PM

JR

“ Seems like I've known Joe for as long as you can remember knowing someone. Lots of fond childhood and school memories. My heart is saddened for the loss of such a genuine person.  
I'll never forget you my friend  
Jimmy Runyon

Jim Runyon - June 14, 2023 at 11:10 AM

JF

“ Great guy and friend since the 1st grade. Will always remember all the good times we had and growing up playing in each others house and backyard.

Jim Ferrell - June 14, 2023 at 10:31 AM

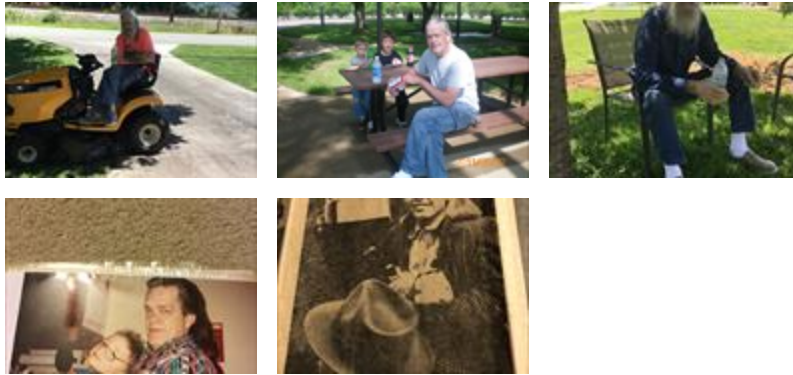
JS

“ Sending our love, hugs and prayers to Alice and family. Joe was my cousin and I will always remember the growing up years and times they came to a Ohio. RIP Joe you will be missed by many.

Janie Wood Summers - June 13, 2023 at 06:06 PM

AB

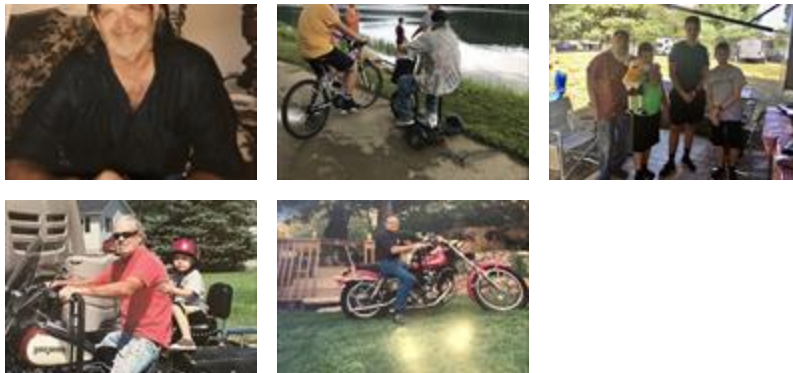
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Alice Beardsley - June 13, 2023 at 08:30 AM

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Alice Beardsley - June 12, 2023 at 10:58 PM

GQ

“ *RIP dear friend you will be missed Bill & I will cherish the good times we had with you and Alice camping. Sending love and prayers to Alice and family* ❤️❤️🙏🙏



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**Gloria & Bill Queen** - June 12, 2023 at 09:02 PM

GB

“ *Geraldine (Claxon) Bare lit a candle in memory of Joe O. Beardsley*



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**Geraldine (Claxon) Bare** - June 12, 2023 at 05:15 PM

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*So sorry for your loss!* 🙏

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**Geraldine (Claxon) Bare** - June 12, 2023 at 05:17 PM