



## Harold E. Sewell

March 9, 1925 - February 19, 2015

Harold E. (Rip) Sewell, 89, of Enon entered the gates of heaven into the loving arms of his Lord Thursday, February 19, 2015. He was surrounded by his loving family. He was born March 9, 1925 in Dayton to the late Chester and Elsie (Sewell) Setty. Harold was a proud Marine Corp. Veteran of WWII and a devoted member of the Maiden Lane Church of God at West Enon. He loved his Lord and his family with all his heart. He lived a full, happy, adventurous life. He retired from NCR after 35 years of service, but worked many various other jobs including his last job at the Speedway headquarters until he was 80 years old. While at Speedway he envisioned and helped blaze a one mile long certified wildlife trail for the Speedway campus. A special sign was erected on the trail to commemorate his accomplishments.

Harold and Rua lived in Ohio, Delaware, South Carolina, and Florida before they returned to their home in Ohio for good. So many things can be said about the wonderful man he was. He loved to travel, bowl, sing, work puzzles, watch NASCAR, play all kinds of games and check out Facebook on his computer. Harold was a deputy sheriff with the Clark County police. He was a Boy Scout leader and a member of the Lions Club. Harold started Little League Baseball in Medway, Ohio. He was very active and involved at every church he and his wife attended and was a great inspiration and was loved by everyone who knew him. His faith, love and strength made him the special person he was.

Harold is survived by his wife, Rua Eileen (Lipscomb) Sewell, whom he married March 9, 1946 (69 years) on his birthday. Harold leaves a son, Jim and (Kathy) Sewell of Enon, a daughter, Deborah and (Jim) Brown of Enon, five grandchildren, Starr Butler, Dena Brown, Jamey Brown, Jennifer (Steve) Lookabaugh, and Roy (Sandy) Sewell and a sister, Janice Sparks in Alaska. Harold was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Verle Sewell and Roy Sewell and a granddaughter, Julie Sewell. Harold has eight great grandchildren, Amber, Derek, Kristina, Roy Jr., Mathew, Andrew, Kate and Olivia and one recent great great grandchild, Oliver along with numerous nieces, nephews and a host of many relatives and special friends who loved him.

The family would like to extend thanks to Dayton, Ohio VA Hospice for the care given in the final days of his life and especially all those who cared and prayed for him. He loved you all very much.

A funeral service will be conducted 10:00 am Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at the Maiden Lane Church of God, 4800 Snider Road, Fairborn, Ohio 45324 with Pastor Dan Fiorini officiating. Burial will follow the service in Glen Haven Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held 5:00-8:00 pm Monday at the church. Adkins Funeral Home, Enon, is assisting Harold's family with his final wishes. [www.adkinsfunerals.com](http://www.adkinsfunerals.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Glen Haven Memorial Gardens

8200 W National Road  
New Carlisle, OH 45344

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **23.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Maiden Lane Church of God  
4800 Snyder Road  
Fairborn, OH 45324

## Funeral Service

FEB **24.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ *My dad, the strongest, most hard working, giving man I knew who loved everyone and was always there to lend a hand. He loved life and enjoyed his friends and his travels. Dad, your faith always inspired me to be a better person, to remember what is important in life. To love God, family and others. I will miss you so much. I know you are in heaven now with Jesus and will be waiting there for all those you loved. You took your final trip to paradise and you are walking those streets of gold. You earned that badge! Thank you God for giving me the best dad I could ever have!* ”

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**Deborah L. Brown** - February 25, 2015 at 06:22 AM



“ *Billie Cutcher purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Harold E. Sewell.* ”



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**Billie Cutcher** - February 24, 2015 at 09:02 AM

NS

“ *Norma S. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Harold E. Sewell.* ”



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**Norma S.** - February 23, 2015 at 11:40 AM

DB

“ I have so many wonderful memories and I am blessed and thankful for them all. All the times I spent with him in Delaware, Florida, South Carolina and here in Ohio. I remember his love for Cassano's pizza. I remember saving wheat pennies for him because he collected them. I'd get so excited to find one and be able to give it to him. I remember his collection of cool metal pencil sharpener. Memories of special moments at so many different places. The mall, the beach, church, parks, on the pontoon boat, playing games with him, laughing, listening, admiring him, his love of puzzles and good food. His love for God and all of his family and friends. Even his farts-it was an ongoing funny thing in the family. His love of travel, his mercury grand marquis-he'd get a new one every few years. His faith, his dedication to church and God. His devoted love for Grandma and how cute they were together. Wow! I am so very blessed to have had him in my life. So many memories-makes me smile. I am at peace knowing he's with the Lord right now. I so want to see him again so I am getting back on track living right just like I know he'd want me to do. I'm gonna make him proud. I love you Grandpa! ?

Dena Renee Brown - February 22, 2015 at 09:12 PM

DR

“ We will miss Rip very much. We love you all very much. You are in our prayers. Roger and Donna.

Donna and Roger - February 22, 2015 at 05:43 PM

JD

“ I have know Harold for several years, back when he was worked for the county sheriff's department. I remember the day I had my retirement party at the base. Harold came and looked at the cake we had made. (a 4950th emblem on one corner and a Marine emblem in the other). He pointed at it and asked me "What is that doing here?" I told him that I earned it and he replied, "I guess you didn't turn out so bad after all." Up to that point I didn't know he was a Marine. Now he is guarding Heaven's streets just like is says in our hymn. Semper Fi, you old Jarhead.

Jesse Denlinger - February 22, 2015 at 04:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold E. Sewell.



February 21, 2015 at 10:51 PM

JT

“ *Jan, Chuckie, Dawn, Greg, Michelle and Tonya purchased the Majestic Heart for the family of Harold E. Sewell.*



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**Jan, Chuckie, Dawn, Greg, Michelle and Tonya** - February 21, 2015 at 04:47 PM

BW

“ *We will always remember the good times that we spent together with Rip and Rua at Delaware Camper's outings. They spent time with us and the Redden's at Jekeyll Island, GA and also in Florida. We had lots of fun with such a Special couple. We will miss Rip and the good times. Condolences to all of his family.*

*Bill & Betty Lou West  
Seaford DE*

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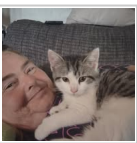
**Bill & Betty Lou West** - February 21, 2015 at 12:20 PM

LB

“ *My favourite memory was in the car with Rip, Rua, Jimmy, and Debbie, I was telling my date" horror stories". He loved them and it tickled me how they made him laugh. I also loved to rub his bald head each week at church and he would say I was messing up his hair. I'm sure going to miss that.*

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**Linda Bruner** - February 21, 2015 at 11:48 AM



“ *My heart sings for joy as this great loving man reaches his final destination with our Lord God Almighty. His crown full of jewells from all those great and loving deeds he has done while here on earth. My love to all his family. I remember growing up. I got to spend alot of time with Rip and Rua as their daughter was to be my aunt. They welcomed me into their home and shown me love and guidance like ive never known. Even tho i have strayed their love was still there. And i know he showed tjis love to everyone he met.*

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**Billie Cutcher** - February 21, 2015 at 10:17 AM