



## Wesley D. Hershberger

September 15, 1953 - March 16, 2026

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Wes "Fuzzy" Hershberger, 72, went to be with the Lord on Monday, March 16, 2026 at the Truman House in New Philadelphia.

He was born in Millersburg on September 15, 1953 to the late Dan and Mattie (Keim) Hershberger of Trail.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth of 50 years. They were married on September 20, 1975 in Hartville, OH; two sons whom he loved dearly, Ryan (Brenda) and Eric; six sisters, Esta, Mary, Malinda, Miriam, Betty and Elsie; two brothers Delbert and Willie; many nieces and nephews; and his mother-in-law Elva Sommers.

First and foremost, Wes loved the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior and followed him faithfully. He would often share his faith with his family and friends. He loved people and especially had a heart for children. His nieces and nephews were all very special to him as were his many many friends. He worked at the Trail Elevator when first married and then went on to do mason work for 10 years. For the past 35 years he has been training race horses. He loved the challenge of breaking yearlings, but not without incident. He had several serious accidents, but being the horse lover he was, nothing kept him from going right back to training his horses. He would often say "I can't let them get the best of me."

He was preceded in death by his parents 1 niece, Karen Hostetler; 2 nephews, Tony Troyer and Michael Yoder; 5 brothers-in-law Andy Troyer, Orva Helmuth, Rick Brunk, Dean Yoder and Allen Miller; and his father-in-law Earl Sommers.

His outgoing personality, quick wit and sense of humor, his kindness, his unwavering faith and generous spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Services will be held on Friday, March 20, 2026 at 11 AM at New Leaf Church (formerly Longenecker Fellowship) on 2200 TR 606, Dundee, OH 44624 with Pastors Tom Shank and David Clemens officiating. Family burial will be on Friday at 9:30 AM at Westlawn Cemetery in Winesburg prior to services at the church. Friends may call on Thursday from 1-3 and 6-8 PM at New Leaf Church.