



# Richard E. Keefer

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### **R**ichard Keefer Obituary

Richard E. Keefer, 95, of Elyria, went home to be with his Savior January 9, 2024. He was born November 19, 1928 in Elyria where he has been a lifelong resident. Dick was a 1946 graduate of Clearview High School and attended Oberlin Business College. He served with the US Army, 1st Calvary Division, 8th Regiment as part of the MacArthur Occupational Force in Tokyo, Japan. From 1948 until it's closing in 1969, he was employed at Fruehauf Trailer Company, Avon Lake and at Kroger Company as grocery store manager from 1957-1985. He had also worked at Invacare and Elyria Locksmith. He was a member, former trustee and usher at Abbe Road Baptist Church, Elyria. Dick was a former scout master of Troop #147 and assistant scout master of Troop #136. He and his family had traveled to many states across the US and to Israel in 1974. Other interests included woodworking, crossword puzzles, reading, watching sports on TV and gardening.

Dick is survived by his wife of 75 years, Patricia R (nee Dostall); children, Joyce (Donald) Schuster of Elyria, Timothy (Vicki) Keefer of North Ridgeville, Judith (Herk) DesChamps of LaGrange and Patricia (Jeffrey) Worcester of Spencer; 8 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Florence Keefer; brother, Allan Keefer and a sister, Rose Eddington.

Friends will be received Saturday, January 13, 2024 from 10:00 am until the time of a noon service at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 323 Middle Avenue, Elyria. Reverend Cal Searles will officiate and Elyria VFW #1079 will present Military Honors. Burial will follow in Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst Township.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Abbe Road Baptist Church, 670 Abbe Road North, Elyria, Ohio 44035.



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**A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Richard E. Keefer** posted:

A Memorial Tree was planted for Richard E. Keefer We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

January 29 at 9:45 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Designer's choice plant 1 was purchased for the family of Richard E. Keefer. Send Flowers Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. Scott & Lourdes

January 29 at 9:45 AM



**Jim Figula** posted:

So sorry for your loss what a great man I worked with him at Invacare he even made us some wood pieces shelves and plant stand he always gave good counsel

January 18 at 5:59 PM



**Ron & Anna St.Peter** posted:

Prayers and condolences to the Keefer family.

January 13 at 2:33 PM



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