



## Joseph R. "Ray" Carion

May 10, 1937 - July 26, 2016

Joseph R. "Ray" Carion, age 79, of Painesville Twp, died Tuesday July 26, 2016 at Tri-Point Medical Center, Concord. He was Born May 10, 1937, New Kensington, PA.

Mr. Carion was employed by the Kirtland Board of Education for 27 years at the high school. He was a teacher, guidance counselor, football coach and athletic director, throughout his career. He enjoyed golf and the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years Judy (Garcia) Carion; children: Chris (Melissa) Carion and Jennifer (Andrew) Crum; grandchildren Bradyn, Isabela, Julia and Rayna, and sister Lois (Robert) Schacht.

Preceding Ray in death are his parents: Joseph W. and Helen Carion.

A Celebration of Ray's life will be 2-4 pm Saturday July 30, 2016 at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave. Mentor, OH. 44060.

Send flowers or offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center

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# Tribute Wall

GH

“ *Sonnie & I were saddened by Ray's passing. All four of live in the same apartment starting our careers as football coaches and our wives as teachers. Many Yahtzee games were played in our apartments. We wish Judy and family our love and pray for them all.*

*Ray buddy, we will miss you.*

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**George and Sonnie Harris** - August 04, 2016 at 02:41 PM

SH

“ *So sorry for your loss, Judy. He was a great man and a big influence in my life. I think of you two often.*

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**Steve Henderson** - July 31, 2016 at 01:10 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Ray" Carion.*



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July 30, 2016 at 08:36 AM

MN

“ I am very sorry for your loss . Losing a loved one in death is such a difficult thing to experience . Please be comforted by the promises in the Bible . Jesus tells us at John 5 : 28 , 29 that all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out . What a loving provision put in place by the God of all comfort so we can have the assured hope of seeing our dead loved ones live again one day . Meanwhile as I pray for that day to come I ask Jehovah God to bless your family and give each of you the strength to endure this most trying time .

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**Michelle Nelson** - July 29, 2016 at 07:53 PM



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July 29, 2016 at 10:06 AM

PA

“ To the family of coach Carion, I send you my sincere condolences. I was a student at KHS from 1968-1972 and he was a wonderful person and mentor to myself and many of my classmates, regardless of their interest in sports or education (much like Mr. Case). I was a cheerleader and he always made our squad feel like a part of the team, expected our best effort, allowed for our youthful mistakes, and showed appreciation and pride in us when we contributed or excelled. I will always remember him with a smile on his face and the pride he exuded in his team and students. You will be missed coach! Pam Darby Brzytwa, Class of 1972.

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**Pam** - July 28, 2016 at 11:21 PM

KH

“ I coached against Ray all the years he was head football coach at Kirtland. We were intense rivals on the field, but friends off the field. He will be missed by his coaching friends.

*Russ Hurd*

*Retired football coach and athletic director at Berkshire High School*

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**Kay Hurd** - July 28, 2016 at 08:54 PM



“ I will never forget him. As the "new kid" who moved into the district in the summer of '78, Coach Carion was one of the first people I met at summer football practices. He helped make it easier for me to fit in and be part of the team. He was firm but fair. Tough but caring. He made us all better having known and played for him. He was truly a gentleman of character and integrity. A great role model for all of us on that team. He was truly "Papa Ray".

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**Matt Romelfanger** - July 28, 2016 at 12:03 PM

BF

“ Barry and Judy Galiffa Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Joseph R. "Ray" Carion.



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**Barry and Judy Galiffa Family** - July 28, 2016 at 12:12 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Ray" Carion.



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July 27, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Ray" Carion.



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July 27, 2016 at 12:10 PM