



## Eugene McCleese

March 31, 1958 - April 15, 2026

Eugene McCleese, 68 years of age, of Peebles, Ohio, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at the Mercy Hospital Anderson, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Eugene was born on March 31, 1958, in Hillsboro, Ohio, the son of Sandra (Woods) McCleese and the late Herbert McCleese. Eugene worked as a farmer, as well as for the Adams County Dispatch from 2008 to 2020. He was a member of the Franklin Township Fire Department from 1982 to 2007, and the Peebles Life Squad from 1984 to 2008. He belonged to the Buck Masters and was a lifetime member of the NRA.

Eugene is survived by his sons, Josh and Kelly McCleese, Dusty and Peggy McCleese, and Michael and Danielle McCleese; and his daughter, Amanda and Chris Fraley, all of Peebles. He also leaves his mother, Sandy McCleese, of Peebles, and his brother, Tom McCleese, of Belfast. He will be dearly missed by his thirteen grandchildren.

In addition to his father Herbert, Eugene was preceded in death by his sister, Denise McCleese.

Family and friends may pay their respects during visitation on Friday, April 17, 2026, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, at the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home, in Peebles.

Funeral services will be held immediately following visitation, on Friday, April 17, 2026, beginning at 6:00 pm, at the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home, in Peebles, with Mike Davis officiating.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home. Please visit us at [www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com) to leave words of comfort for the family in our online guestbook.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home  
119 Rarden Road  
Peebles, OH 45660

## Funeral Service

APR 17. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

AW

“ Josh & Kelly and family so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you now and in the days ahead. Miss and Love you all.



Audra Willey - April 17 at 10:21 AM



“ Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Eugene McCleese.



April 17 at 08:57 AM



“ Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Eugene McCleese.



April 17 at 08:54 AM

PS

“ Paxon Energy & Infrastructure Services purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eugene McCleese.



Paxon Energy & Infrastructure Services - April 16 at 05:26 PM

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“ Paxon Energy & Infrastructure Services planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene McCleese.

Paxon Energy & Infrastructure Services - April 16 at 05:26 PM

MW

“ Mae Wolfingbarger purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eugene McCleese.



Mae Wolfingbarger - April 16 at 10:09 AM

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“ Mae Wolfingbarger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene McCleese.

Mae Wolfingbarger - April 16 at 10:09 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of Eugene’s passing. I’ll always remember him as kind and generous. He’d always bring in some kind of candy to share when we worked nights in dispatch. We’d talk about finding mushrooms, Indian arrow heads, you name it. I still have a arrow head he gave me. Praying for all his family and friends. 🙏❤️



Shannon Mitchell - April 15 at 08:27 PM

DS

“ *Dre and Renada Saunders purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Eugene McCleese.*



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**Dre and Renada Saunders** - April 15 at 06:34 PM

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“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family at this difficult time. Wishing peace, comfort and strength in the days ahead. —The Nesbitt Family*

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**Ashley Nesbitt** - April 15 at 05:10 PM