



**Name:** John A Depner

**Age:** 85

**Hometown:** Caseville

**Funeral Date:** Not Available

**Date of Birth:** March 09, 1940

**Date of Passing:** March 21, 2025

**Funeral Home:** **MacAlpine Funeral Home**

#### **Funeral Information**

A private memorial service will be held with burial at the Caseville Township Cemetery. Memorials may be given to Huron County Gideons, P.O. Box 31, Pigeon, MI. 48755 or Caseville Historical Society, 6733 Prospect, Caseville, MI 48725. Condolences can be shared at [www.macalpinefuneralhome.com](http://www.macalpinefuneralhome.com)

#### **Family of the Deceased**

Survivors include wife, Ruth; two sons, Eric (Charlene) of Howard City, MI and Daniel of Caseville; sisters, Alaine (Todd Beck) Depner of Bangor, MI, Ivoughn Depner of Caseville, one brother, Michael of Fort Meyers, FL, and niece, Chelsea Depner of Caseville. John also had a younger brother, Gary, who died at the age of 10.

#### **Biography**

John A. Depner, age 85 of Caseville, was called from this life on March 21st, 2025 at Covenant Hospital, Saginaw, MI. John was born on March 9, 1940 in Bad Axe, MI to the late John and Mary (Pelant) Depner. He attended both Elkton

Elementary and Berne Lutheran Schools. In 1958 John completed his high school education at Michigan Lutheran Seminary of Saginaw, MI, then later studied agriculture at M.S.U. On October 9, 1965 John was united in marriage to Ruth C. Yackle at First United Methodist of Pigeon. John was a farmer and gardener all his life who found much enjoyment in tending fields, growing vegetables, and sharing fresh produce with many. It was not uncommon for John to return from the field with a unique stone or an Indian arrowhead in his hand. In later years John planted a Christmas tree lot and found pleasure in giving hay rides during the fall corn mazes on his farm. Of utmost importance was John's Christian faith in his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He was not afraid to speak truth in love without compromising his beliefs. Whenever there was opportunity, he was ready to hand someone a New Testament which were many. As a lifetime learner of many subjects, John was always asking questions; however, it was history that he found most fascinating, including family ancestry. On a trip, he found it difficult to pass by a museum without stopping. Recently, John still enjoyed watching episodes of The Lone Ranger, reminiscent of his younger years. His boyhood hero was Roy Rogers, "King of the Cowboys". When Roy and his horse Trigger came to town, John was eager to go and bring home a piece of straw from Triggers stable as a souvenir! John was a devoted husband, loving father and leader of his home who set an example for his two sons as a hardworking man of faith and integrity. His word was his bond. John was an encourager and a ready helper, never too busy to stop his work to meet the needs of others. He was authentic, patient, humble and wise all rolled into one.