



## Ralph E. Biesecker

July 15, 1943 - July 1, 2025

### RALPH E. BIESECKER

Ralph Biesecker, 81, of Thompson Township and formerly of Gibson, PA was called home to be with the Lord on July 1, 2025. He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Elaine; his son, Jeremy; two siblings, David Biesecker and Barbara Darrow; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Lloyd (Beverly) Sheldon; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mother, Thelma Biesecker; and his brothers, Gene and George Biesecker.

Ralph served in the US Navy after he graduated from high school. After he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Music from Houghton College, he worked for the college in various positions. He founded and directed the travelling music group Son Touched. Ralph "retired" from working at the Steamtown Mall as the Operations Director. Alongside his wife, Elaine, he owned and operated the Creekside Shoppe, Gibson, PA for many years. Ralph was involved with the Teen Ministry at the South New Milford Baptist Church as the Music Director of Teens Involved and the Travelling Ministry Team. He was an active member of the church and directed the choir and many Cantatas. Ralph loved gardening and outdoor work. He was self motivated and always working at one project or another until his last breath. Throughout his life, Ralph was devoted to the Lord, his wife, his son, and was a blessing to countless other souls.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 12, 2025 at the South New Milford Baptist Church, 2067 Harford Road, New Milford, PA 18834. Friends may call from 9-11, at the church, prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial donations to Word of Life Fellowship, PO Box 600, Schroon Lake, NY 12870.

# Cemetery Details

## Gibson Cemetery

Gibson, PA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

South New Milford Baptist Church  
2967 Harford Road  
New Milford, PA 18834

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

DA

“ Elaine and Jeremy, I am so sorry to hear about Ralph’s home going. He certainly will be missed.



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**Debbie Alt** - July 19, 2025 at 05:37 AM

MG

“ Michele G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ralph E. Biesecker.

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**Michele G.** - July 12, 2025 at 05:56 AM

CL

“ So sorry for your loss Elaine and Jeremy. I loved visiting at the creekside shop and hearing Ralph share stories about the good ole days. What a great husband and Dad. He will be missed, but not forgotten.

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**cindy Liepinis** - July 11, 2025 at 07:46 PM

RG

“ My one regret is that I didn't know Ralph, but for six years, when I wandered up to Gibson to do a little antique shopping and ventured into the Creekside Shoppe. There I was greeted by his sweet wife Elaine, and Ralph was out and about doing things in the tents and on the grounds. Their shop became my go to place and eventually led to a new and wonderful friendship. I always believe God puts people in your life whether for a moment in time or for an extended period of time, so I am grateful for the few years I did get to know this fine man and his family. I will always remember his and Elaine's "Sparkling" eyes - they reflect what lies in their hearts. After all, the eyes are the window to the soul - and his was a pure one, I am sure.

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**RONNIE GAVARIAN** - July 10, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph E. Biesecker.



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July 10, 2025 at 10:02 AM

DL

“ I have such fond memories of Ralph and Elaine as our "house parents" at Houghton's Steese House. Ralph was such a lovely and kind man. He will be missed. Elaine, my heart goes out to you. With love, Diane Frederick Landsman

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**Diane Frederick Landsman** - July 08, 2025 at 11:33 PM

PJ

“ Dearest Elaine and Jeremy, We are so sorry for your loss. Heaven has gained a fine man.

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**Phil and Lorraine James** - July 05, 2025 at 09:54 AM

SF

“ I am so honored to have met Ralph. He always greeted me and my wife with open arms and a big smile. His wisdom was amazing. And when my wife passed away Ralph and Elaine was there to comfort me. I felt like family. We shared a liking for old wind up clocks. The world has lost a great man. May God bless your family

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**Stephen Forsyth** - July 04, 2025 at 07:37 PM

RB

“ Although I didn't attend Houghton I knew Ralph through connections with my brother Alan. When Al (who sang with Sontouched) died, I was a student at Lancaster Bible College. Sontouched came to Harrisburg PA to record a new album. Ralph drove over to Lancaster to have lunch with me and tell me they were dedicating the album to Al's memory. I thought that was very thoughtful of him. Blessings to his family as his life is remembered.

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**Rev. Kevin Bushart** - July 03, 2025 at 09:47 AM

MG

“ Elaine and family so sad to hear of Ralph's passing,he was a great wonderful man.

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**Maxine Gunn** - July 03, 2025 at 07:13 AM

WF

“ I have so so many memories of Uncle Ralph... I may not be blood related but he always treated me like family. He was one of the good ones and he'll be missed.

Wendy L Frederici - July 02, 2025 at 10:28 PM

TF

Sincere sympathy to the family. He will be missed by many

the Borove family - July 03, 2025 at 09:46 AM

JD

Dear Elaine and Family ,My deepest sympathy for your lost, Is never easy when we lost someone so dear ,I have the privilege of knowin Ralph and he was such a beautiful, kind, helpful soul,God needed help and choose Ralph as he demonstrated his special personality of a caring and loving person ,my preyers and many blessing to you and your family always .JD

juanita David - July 06, 2025 at 09:23 AM

PM

“ Patty Morris lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Biesecker



Patty Morris - July 02, 2025 at 10:03 PM