



Benjamin LeDonne

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Age 89, of Pittsburgh's Crafton Heights neighborhood, passed away on November 16, 2025. He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Lorraine (Karolski). Together, they had four children, Donald, Kimberly, Lisa, and Daniel; four grandchildren, Christa Ventura, Brittany LeDonne, and Genevieve and Colette Cohen; four great-grandchildren Darius Pollnac, and Mason, Carson, and Dakota Ventura.

Ben was a people-person and worked with the public as much as possible, first as a barber, then as a Port Authority (now PRT) bus driver, and a Heinz Field guest services representative. Ben enjoyed sports, especially high school football, which he attended and followed for years. In his later years, Ben enjoyed going to the Sheraden Healthy Active Senior Center and more recently the Sharpsburg senior center and actively participated in the senior games for many years.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh's Bloomfield neighborhood, Ben was the oldest of eight children born to Joseph "Popeye" and Marion (Stilley) LeDonne. His siblings are Harvey (Sue), John (late JoAnn), Robert (Gloria), late Patricia

(late Thomas) Bombich, Denise (Richard) Miller, Valerie LeDonne Marsico, and Moneque (Glenn) Jeletic.

Visitation will held on Wednesday from 5 PM - 7 PM at the D'Alessandro Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd., Butler at 46 Sts., Lawrenceville. Interment private.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

D'Alessandro Funeral Home and Crematory Ltd.
4522 Butler St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15201

Tribute Wall

EK

“ Nice Guy Ben —- When Rich and I got married 50+years ago one of our groomsmen cancelled on us shortly before the day of our wedding. Ben stepped up to take his place — (what a lifesaver). His young daughter Lisa acted as our flower girl. Two years later when Ben was a young barber he gave our first born (Amy) her first haircut right in the barber’s chair (a day to remember). Being a bus driver people loved him, he was so kind and so easy going. If we ever needed anything we knew Ben was there for us. He was one great guy. Thanks Ben ❤️. RIP - Eileen and girls



Eileen Karolski - November 19, 2025 at 02:17 PM

BE

“ Don, Dan, Lisa, and family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Your dad was a kind man and loved in Crafton Heights. He will be missed tremendously.
Thinking of you, Bill Evans

Bill Evans - November 19, 2025 at 01:27 PM

DA

“ David A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin LeDonne.

David A. - November 19, 2025 at 11:25 AM

FA

“ Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin LeDonne.

Family - November 19, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Benjamin LeDonne.



November 19, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Benjamin LeDonne.



November 18, 2025 at 09:27 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Benjamin LeDonne.



November 18, 2025 at 07:34 AM

CH

“ Chris Haney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin LeDonne.

Chris Haney - November 17, 2025 at 07:11 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Benjamin LeDonne.



November 17, 2025 at 07:11 PM

PK

“ Pete&Jen Kalemon purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Benjamin LeDonne.



Pete&Jen Kalemon - November 17, 2025 at 05:52 PM