



Fred J. Bohlayer Jr.

August 23, 1936 - January 13, 2026

Fred J. Bohlayer Jr., 89, of Sayre, PA passed away Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at his home following declining health. Fred was born in Canton, PA on August 23, 1936, the son of the late Fred J. Bohlayer Sr. and Hazel Gustin Bohlayer. Fred was a graduate of Troy High School, Troy, PA and in early years was employed as a mechanic with several area garages. On August 8, 1959, Fred married JoAnn Whipple at the Church of God in Athens, PA. He was later employed as a welder for Remington-Rand in Elmira, NY for 5 years, and as a machinist with the Ingersoll-Rand in Athens, PA for 36 years. Fred was a dedicated member of the Church of God in Athens and subsequently with the First Church of God in Sayre following the church relocation. For many years, Fred served on the church board of trustees and taught Sunday school. He was a member of the Bradford County Antique Car Club. Fred's family includes his devoted wife of 66 years, JoAnn Bohlayer, their daughters and sons-in-law, Lori and Frank McGrath of Athens, PA, Cindy and Jon Boardman of Ulysses, PA, grandchildren, Julie (Keenan) Hamberger of Ulysses, PA, Shane McGrath of Athens, PA, his sister, Elsie Allyn of Rochester, NY, brother and sister-in-law, Donald and Betty Bohlayer of Sayre, PA as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Fred was predeceased by his son, Fred J. "Buddy" Bohlayer III. on January 22, 2012, grandson, Robert "Robby" Slingerland on November 5, 2011, and sister, Helen Jenkins.

A memorial service will be held Friday, January 16, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at the

First Church of God, Keystone Ave. Sayre, with Pastor Paula Kraus officiating.
The family suggests that contributions be directed to the First Church of God,
416 N. Keystone Ave. Sayre, PA 18840 in memory of Fred J. Bohlayer Jr.
Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Church of God
416 North Keystone Avenue
Sayre, PA 18840

Tribute Wall

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“ We are sorry to learn of Fred's passing but know he is in the loving presence of his Lord and Savior. The Farmers Valley family is having health problems and are unable to attend but you are in our prayers. Marilyn Bohlayer

Marilyn Bohlayer - January 16 at 12:13 PM

SB

“ I'm very sorry to hear of your loss. I love and miss you all so much.

Shelva Baldwin - January 15 at 09:50 PM

BK

“ Dear JoAnn, So sorry to hear about Fred. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Love, Ed and Barbara Krauss

BARBARA KRAUSS - January 15 at 10:08 AM