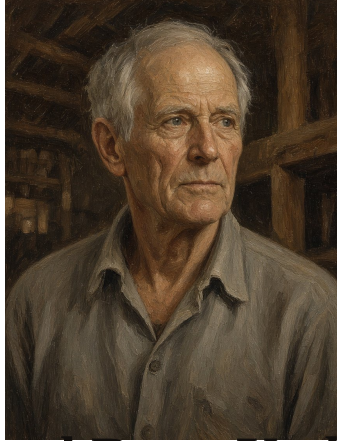




Earl Dean Yoder

April 16, 1944 - September 4, 2026

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Earl Dean Yoder died in Lancaster on September 4, 2026. He was eighty-two. Born on a farm in the county on April 16, 1944, he learned a bin before he learned a classroom. School kept him until he could be useful. The mill kept him after that. He became the man who mixed feed because an animal that cannot eat cannot work, and because he liked a job whose mistakes were immediately visible in a trough.

For forty years he drove a dented truck from farm to farm with a notebook of herds, not clients. He did not advertise. Dairy men called him because he would tell an owner the truth about a ration even when the truth postponed a check. He charged a fair price and a smaller one when a 4-H child brought a calf that needed more kindness than corn. The notebook had no index. He could find a page by the smell of the paper.

He married Ruth Yoder in 1966. They raised three children in a brick farmhouse that needed a new porch every twenty years. Ruth taught first grade. Earl grilled on Sundays and considered shoofly a seasonal obligation. After his back quit the worst barns he still came out for a favorite Holstein, moving slower, swearing less, doing the same honest work.

Friends remember a man who wiped his hands before he shook yours, who could stand in a stall without making the cow nervous, and who left a farm cleaner than he found it. He loved a quiet paddock at dusk, a glass of cider he did not finish, and the sound of a mill that had decided to live. He died in Lancaster, in the county whose grass had written his calendar. The truck is parked. A lot of animals in the valley still eat because he was stubborn about a mix.

Services

Visitation in Lancaster, then a simple service. A gift to a large-animal rescue or a youth farm program is welcome.

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