



Alva "Barney" E. Barnes

March 23, 1927 - January 31, 2012

Alva E. "Barney" Barnes, 84, of Ossian, died at 6:52 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2012, at Comfort Home Services.

Mr. Barnes was born in Wells County on March 23, 1927, to Britton and Effie (McCormick) Barnes. He married Ruth M. Watson in Zanesville on Dec. 16, 1944. They shared 40 years together before she preceded him in death on Dec. 18, 1984.

Mr. Barnes served our country in the United States Army from 1945 to 1946. He was the owner and operator of Barney's Auto parts in Bluffton and also worked as a truck driver for some time. He worked for International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 10 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton and the Bluffton Elks Lodge.

Surviving relatives include a daughter, Jeanne L. (Randall) Burton of Fort Wayne; two sons, John E. Barnes of Ossian and Phil R. (Sharon) Barnes of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Barnes is also survived by a companion, Irene M. Rice of Markle.

Mr. Barnes was also preceded in death by one son, Robert A. Barnes; three brothers, Arthur, Roger and Robert Barnes; and two sisters, Elizabeth McBride and Mary Burnau.

Calling hours will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney and Lemler Funeral Home, 308 W. Washington St., Bluffton. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home with Pastor Ed Lovelace officiating. Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.
Online condolences: www.thomarich.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260) 824-3850
info@thomarich.com

Tribute Wall



“ Alva "Barney" E. Barnes

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“ John, Please accept My heartfelt condolences on your loss. - Pete -
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“ My prayers and thoughts are with the Barnes family. Your father is greatly appreciated for his service to our country. Thank you Mr. Barnes and rest now in your heavenly home.##imported-begin##Laura Gamble##imported-end##

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“ We want the family to know that we are so sorry to read of Alva's passing away. It has been quite a few years since we saw him in Blufftonm, IN. We are now living near Hershey, PA where our daughter and husband reside. God bless the family. We will be praying for you as you face the days ahead.##imported-begin##Tom and Nancy Haiflich##imported-end##

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