



C.R. "Bo" Collins

March 2, 1933 - February 3, 2011

C.R. "Bo" Collins, 77, of Bluffton passed away at 12:25 a.m. Thursday, February 03, 2011 at Markle Health & Rehab Center.

Mr. Collins was born on March 2, 1933 in New Hope, Arkansas to William Spencer & Ruby (Smith) Collins. After moving to Wells County in 1945, Bo graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1951. On April 25, 1952 in Liberty Center, he married Marjorie S. (Hunnicut) Collins. They shared 58 years of marriage together. Bo was a farmer who raised crops, dairy, and livestock southwest of Bluffton from 1952 until he retired in 1991. In addition to farming he enjoyed woodworking. He was a fun loving man, a kidder and occasionally was ornery. He was a member of Living Water United Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee for several years.

Bo is survived by his wife Marjorie of Bluffton, along with children Steve (spouse Cheryl) Collins of Ossian, Mike (Vicki Haviland) Collins of Petroleum and J. D. (spouse Jenny) Collins of Hartford City, five grandchildren, one step-grandchild and eight great-grandchildren, one deceased, along with his brother, John D. (spouse Penny) Collins of Marengo, Illinois and sister Opal Fay (spouse Harmon) Warpup of Markle.

He is preceded in death by a daughter Linda Sue Collins in 1955, a son Anthony Wayne Collins in 1975, four sisters—Peggy Collins, Sibyl D. Collins,

Bonnie Jean Wisenhunt, Audrey Nichols—and a brother Winfred “Doc” Collins.

Friends are invited to visit with the Collins family from 2 - 8 pm on Sunday Feb. 6 at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 7 at the funeral home with calling for one hour prior to the service. Pastor Ralph Klinker will officiate. Burial will follow at Mossburg Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Living Water United Methodist Church. Friends may send online condolences to www.thomarich.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

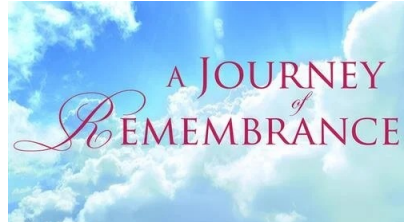
FEB 7. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of C.R. "Bo" Collins*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - February 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



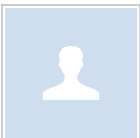
“ *C.R. "Bo" Collins*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Always a joy to see Bo and his lovely wife. He was such a wonderful, happy person. He always made you feel good. He was great under pressure. It makes me sad to know we wont see his smiling face.*

Kimberly Cates - April 09, 2020 at 12:10 PM



“ *I would like to extend my sympathies to the entire Collins Family for your loss.##imported-begin##Donnie Olson##imported-end##*

February 08, 2011 at 01:11 PM



“ JD and Jennifer-

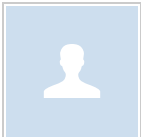
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. It's not easy, but we have the assurance that your father is in a much better place. We've talked many times about life and what's really important. Thanks for being a friend in the true sense of the word. I know you guys will get through this. Look forward to seeing you soon. Again, I'll be thinking about you.##imported-begin##Paul Janssen##imported-end##

February 07, 2011 at 04:46 PM



“ JD, Penny and I are thankful to be able to call you our friend. We hope that your mom, you and Jenny, and all your family are at peace knowing that your dad has sowed the seeds for his eternal life as well as for all of you. We know that the legacy of his life will live on thru the stories and memories you all share.##imported-begin##Dave and Penny Gentile##imported-end##

February 07, 2011 at 07:50 AM



“ Mike,
You have my heartfelt sympathys on your loss. I pray that you and your family will always feel the love that is in your heart.

Pete##imported-begin##Philip T Bricker - (PETE)##imported-end##

February 07, 2011 at 07:15 AM



“ Dear JD and Jenny---Thank you for letting me share your loss.It was obvious that a legacy has come to an end.The best part is that it will live on by a wonderful family and each and every one of you leave a legacy as well.I am blessed to have you as a friend. THE SAUDER FAMILY###imported-begin###JERRY SAUDER###imported-end##

February 06, 2011 at 10:55 PM



“ Our sympathy and love are extended to the Collins family. The Father and Mother of Bo were our dearest neighbors and our confidants as we started our married life on the farm near them. We could talk with them about anything and they always gave us good advice. We saw their love for their family as the years went on and we feel we were better people for having them and the whole family in our lives. We grieved with Bo and Marge when they lost their son in the wreck and laughed with them when things were going right. The Lord has promised never to leave us and we know He will be with you as you say goodbye for now.###imported-begin###Tom and Nancy Haiflich###imported-end##

February 06, 2011 at 03:01 PM



“ JD,
Cindy and I send our heartfelt sympathies to you and your family. Your dad sounded like a great man and a great family man. I'm sure the memories mean a lot - cherish them. You have lots of friends thinking about you and hoping that those memories sustain you through these difficult days.
God Bless.
John & Cindy Yorkovich###imported-begin###John Yorkovich###imported-end##

February 05, 2011 at 09:22 PM



“ Please accept our condolences. We plan to be at the visitation if weather permits. You are a good son, J.D Sincerely, the Kinzers.##imported-begin##Lee and Dawn Kinzer##imported-end##

February 05, 2011 at 09:15 PM



“ JD, Deepest sympathy to you and your family - please know that I'm thinking of you. Bo Ryan##imported-begin##bo ryan##imported-end##

February 05, 2011 at 04:59 PM



“ We are Pat's friends. She has told us so much about your family and the joy you have brought her! We are sorry to learn of your loss, yet in the same breath, we are thrilled that he has entered eternal joy and peace.
We pray you will find warm comfort in our Lord's embrace. Mike & Annie##imported-begin##Mr & Mrs Micheal H McConkey##imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 07:35 PM



“ J.D.

I wanted to let you know that I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your father. It sounds like he was a great person and father. Cherish all of the great memories that you shared with him and your family. There are many people caring and praying for you and your family at this time.

God Bless

Bill Ek##imported-begin##Bill Ek##imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 04:57 PM



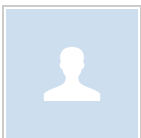
“ JD,

I am sorry to hear of the passing of your father. May you and your family be comforted by the thoughts and support from those in the officiating community during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

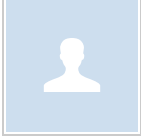
Dave Cusick##imported-begin##Dave Cusick##imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 02:02 PM



“ SO VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS. KNEW "BO" FROM BEING AROUND LIBERTY CENTER AND KIDS FROM SCHOOL. HE WAS A VERY UNIQUE GUY-SURE WISH THE WORLD HAD MORE LIKE HIM. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.##imported-begin##SKIP KATTE ##imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 12:00 PM



“ Steve, Cheryl & Family:
Our deepest sympathies to you and your family! You are in our thoughts and prayers!###imported-begin###Rhonda Eddy###imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 10:16 AM



“ J D Collins and Family

It has been a very tough year for you. I hope you know that life has not ended for you just changed.

My Prayers are with you and your family.

Grace & Peace

Ronnie Jones###imported-begin###Ronnie Jones###imported-end##

February 03, 2011 at 04:21 PM



“ The University of Saint Francis family extends its deepest sympathies to J D Collins on the loss of his dad.
May Bo's soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen!###imported-begin###Mark A. Pope###imported-end##

February 03, 2011 at 03:04 PM