



## Dale E Bowman

July 18, 1930 - July 17, 2018

Dale E. Bowman, 87, of Craigville, IN, passed away on Tuesday morning, July 17, 2018, at Ossian Health & Rehab Center.

Dale was born on July 18, 1930 in Bluffton, Indiana to Robert W. & C. Beatrice (Eichhorn) Bowman. He graduated from Lancaster Central High School in 1948. He served our country in the United States Marine Corps.

He was a life long farmer and a devoted member of Lancaster Chapel United Methodist Church where he served in many roles: Sunday school superintendent, a teacher and youth leader, trustee and an usher. Dale was an avid hunter, collector, enjoyed traveling and spending time with family and friends.

On October 3, 1953 at Lancaster Chapel Church, Dale and Eva L. (Zook) were married.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Eva of Craigville, and three children: Brenda D. (Ken) Ferry of Evansville, Dennis D. Bowman of Fort Wayne and David B. (Michelle) Bowman of Craigville. He was a loving grandpa to five grandchildren; Trent Ferry of Indianapolis, Vince (Taylor) Ferry of Toledo, OH, Brandon (Kassie) Bowman of Englewood, CO, Megan (Chad) Dunham of Shoals, IN and Bryce Bowman of Craigville.

He is preceded in death by his parents and only sister Evelyn Jarrett.

A service to celebrate Dale's life will be held at 2:30 P.M. on Saturday, July 21, 2018, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor Dennis Leinbach will officiate.

Calling Hours will be held from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 P.M. on Friday, July 20, 2018, at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

Burial will take place at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton with military honors by the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton and the United States Marine Corps Honor Guard.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Heart to Heart Hospice of Fort Wayne and the Continuing Care Staff at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Memorials may be made to Lancaster Chapel UM Church or to Evansville Christian Life Center. Online memorials to Evansville Christian Life Center can be made at [www.restoringpeople.com](http://www.restoringpeople.com).

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 20. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

JUL 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

JUL 21. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Celebration of Life Service

JUL 21. 2:30 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dale E Bowman*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - July 20, 2018 at 06:12 PM



“ *Dale E Bowman*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I didn't know Dale personally, but he was a great Conservative, he valued America and our Constitution, and our Right to Bear Arms. He was a great NRA member and supported our ideals and our shooting matches. Rest in Peace my friend, you were truly one of the Greatest Generation! - Cynthia J. Campbell, Joplin, Missouri*

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**Cynthia J. Campbell** - August 13, 2019 at 07:51 PM



“ *Sorry Bowman Family for your loss of Dale! 😞 Our Prayers are with u all! 🙏 Love Barry and JoEllen ❤️*

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**Barry Crosbie** - July 21, 2018 at 11:12 PM

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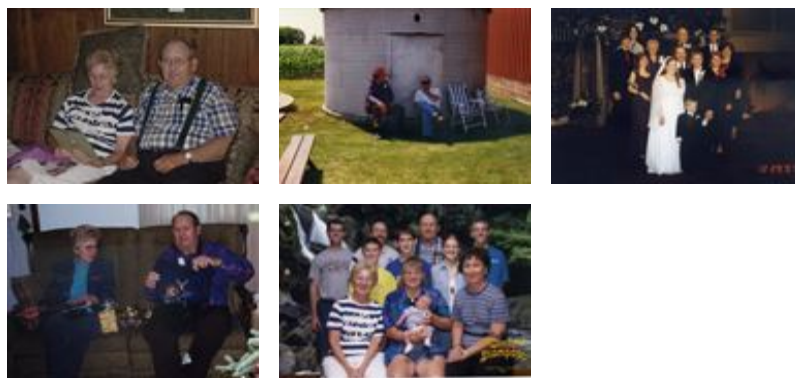
“ *Barry Crosbie lit a candle in memory of Dale E Bowman*



Barry Crosbie - July 21, 2018 at 11:10 PM



“ *74 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - July 20, 2018 at 08:46 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Dale E Bowman.*



July 19, 2018 at 07:49 PM

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“ Family, my condolences to all upon Dale’s passing. Enjoyed the times Dale and I went shooting down South to the NRA Matches. Great times, he will be missed.

Tom - July 18, 2018 at 08:58 PM

BH

“ Aloha my friend Dennis, our deepest condolences on the passing of your father.  
I miss out times together. Thinking of you during this time of your life.  
Bob & Bonnie Harris

Bonnie Harris - July 18, 2018 at 01:01 PM

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“ RIP Dale Semper Fi brother

gene Simon - July 18, 2018 at 08:55 AM



“ Betty Jo Milholland Walker lit a candle in memory of Dale E Bowman



Betty Jo Milholland Walker - July 17, 2018 at 11:19 PM



“ *Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful So  
ul..." was purchased for the family of Dale E  
Bowman.*



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July 17, 2018 at 06:25 PM