

## Mr. Doyle W. Sullivan

June 12, 1926 - August 1, 2014

Doyle W. Sullivan, 88 of Bluffton passed away at 9:40 p.m. Friday, August 1, 2014 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Sullivan was born on June 12, 1926 in Uniondale, Indiana to Orville & Loretta (Crismore) Sullivan. He graduated from Liberty Center High School. He served our country in the United State Army from 1944 to 1947 as a heavy machine gunner during World War II. He worked as a supervisor for Franklin Electric for many years, retiring in 1986. He went with Franklin as a plant manager and set up the plant in Siloam Springs, Arkansas. He also worked for some time at Lakes Engineering Company. He was a member of the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton and really enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

On October 7, 1950 at the Poneto United Methodist Church, Doyle and Bonnie V. (Bennett) were married. They have shared almost 64 years together. Bonnie survives in Bluffton along with a son Terry Sullivan of Decatur and a daughter Athena (husband John) Detrick of Hayward, WI. along with two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren along with a sister Barbara (husband Curtis) Prough of Bluffton.

He is preceded in death by a son Jeffery Alan Sullivan along with two brothers; Paul Falk and Orville 'JR.' Sullivan.

A service to celebrate Doyle's life will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2014, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home. Pastor John Cole will officiate. Calling hours will be held from 2 to 8 on Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton, where military honors will be performed by the United States Army Honor Guard and the American Legion Post #111 Honor Guard. Memorials may be given to the charity of the donor's choice through the funeral home. Friends can send online condolences to the Sullivan family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

3101 East Division Road  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-2832  
<http://www.themonumentcenter.com/about/cemeteries/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

AUG 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Doyle W. Sullivan*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - August 07, 2014 at 07:33 AM



“ *Mr. Doyle W. Sullivan*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM

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“ Bonnie, I am not sure you will remember me, I am Marrianna (Friar, Wilson ) Stricker. I am Victor & Reathel Friar's daughter.

*I am sorry for the lost of your life 's companion. I remember you growing up being with my Aunt Ruby's family gatherings.*

*I remember when you and Doyle were married.*

*My heart goes out to you and your family - - - your family including your sister Ruby's family. I know your nieces feel your deep hurt in losing their Uncle Doyle.*

*From the Victor & Reathel Friar's family:*

*Ruth Woodbury*

*Robert Friar*

*Marrianna Stricker*

*Donald Friar*

*Geneva Gilmer*

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**Marrianna Stricker** - August 04, 2014 at 12:45 PM




“ I remember him being santa at the franklin electric Christmas party's and telling me and my brother's we better be good because he knew our mom Doyle was a great man



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**Tonya Sills** - August 03, 2014 at 08:33 AM



Dora  
Kahn

“ Doyle was a very sweet man loved it when i and doug would go over to doyle and bonnies and doyle would tell us "stories" and jokes made us laugh.he was a great cook ooo how we loved when he made lasagna.we will miss you doyle  
dora kahn and john schott

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**Dora Kahn** - August 02, 2014 at 03:07 PM