



## Ernest "Ernie" E. Godsey

May 18, 1926 - July 26, 2007

ERNEST "ERNIE" E. GODSEY, 81, of Bluffton, died Thursday, July 26, 2007, 11:50 p.m., at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Born May 18, 1926, in Yamacraw, Ky., he was the son of the late Walker Godsey and Ada (White) Godsey. He married his first wife, Christine (Upchurch) on April 23, 1945, in Newport, Ky.; she died on Dec. 6, 1990. He married his second wife, Norma (Zimmerman) Breedlove on July 13, 1991, in Liberty Center, Ohio. He worked in the maintenance department at Dyster, Fort Wayne, retiring in 1976. He moved from Kentucky to Ohio, in 1944, and then to Indiana, in 1970. He also worked as a metal finisher at Fort Recovery for 17 years and for 12 years at Nutone Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio. He also worked as a landscaper in Fort Wayne for four years. He was a member of Mulberry Street Wesleyan Church. In the early years, he sang in a family group "The Upchurch Family Group" and then later sang with the "Northmen". Surviving are his wife of 17 years, Norma; daughters, Mrs. Vernon (Judy) Baker of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Jeff (Helen) Gallant of Ossian; son, Alan (Cathy) Godsey of Fort Wayne; stepdaughter, Mrs. Sharon Binegar of Fiat; stepsons, David Breedlove of Dickinson, Texas, Richard Breedlove of Fort Wayne and Tom Breedlove of Bluffton; stepdaughters, Mrs. Tim (Joyce) Mayer of Bluffton and Mrs. Janice Miller of Vevay, Ind.; 17 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Addie Bullock of Whitley City, Ky.; and brothers, Arthur (Ernie's twin) and Richard, and Kelly Godsey. He was also preceded in death by two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sisters, Dorothy, Ruth, Jean, and Martha. Funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday at Mulberry Street Wesleyan Church, with the Rev. Don Hosier officiating. Calling is from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, Bluffton. Burial in Prairie Grove Cemetery, Waynedale. Memorials to Mulberry Street Wesleyan Church or donor's choice. Friends may send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **29**. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

JUL **30**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery  
2001 S 700 W-1  
Bluffton, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ Ernest "Ernie" E. Godsey

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“ We were sorry to hear of Ernie's passing, but rejoice that he is in the presence of the Lord. We so enjoyed meeting both of you.

GOD'S BLESSINGS ON YOU, Norma, and also his family.##imported-begin##Tom and Nancy Haiflich##imported-end##

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“ We send our sympathy to all of you, knowing the Lord has surrounded you with His precious love and His promises. When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be, When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the VICTORY!##imported-begin##Tom and Nancy Haiflich##imported-end##

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“ Very sorry to hear about your loss, hope you and yours are all well.....

steve

dave

charlie##imported-begin##Steve Bell##imported-end##

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