



## George Swinford

June 24, 1928 - April 23, 2008

George Swinford, 79, of Bluffton, died at 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at Meadowvale Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Born in Thorntown on June 24, 1928 to Floyd and Lottie (Batts) Swinford, he married Kathleen James in Frankfort on June 2, 1950; she survives.

A 1946 graduate of Thorntown High School, Mr. Swinford also graduated from Purdue University in 1950. He worked at the Conner Prairie Farms, Chester Hybrids and Orville Reidenbacher, before purchasing Briner Building in 1969, which he owned until 1983. He subsequently owned and developed Harrison Shopping Center and the Bluffton U-Stor. He served in the Army Reserve ROTC as Captain and was an active member. He was also a member of the Moose Lodge, Elks Lodge, Bluffton Masonic Lodge #145 and the Mizpah Shrine.

Other surviving relatives include two sons, Michael (Deborah) Swinford of Fort Wayne and Ronald Swinford of Bluffton; one brother, Bob Swinford of Lafayette; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Swinford was also preceded in death by three brothers, Marvin, Jim and Laverne Swinford. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton, with Pastor Cindy Osgood officiating. Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial is at Fairview Cemetery, in Bluffton. The family would like to invite you to share in lunch, fellowship and memories at Timber Ridge Golf Course immediately following the service at the cemetery. Lunch will be

served at approximately noon. Preferred memorials are to the American Diabetes Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 25. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home  
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Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-3850  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of George Swinford*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *George Swinford*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I was sorry to hear about your loss. You all are in my prayers. Hope to see you in Denham.##imported-begin##Rhonda Podell Pierrou##imported-end##*

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April 26, 2008 at 03:22 PM



“ *My deepest sympathies, thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time of mourning your dear father Mike. Thank God we have our precious memories.*

*Beth Wilson##imported-begin##Beth Wilson##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2008 at 03:47 PM



“ *Mike, I remember your dad when was at Chester Hybrides and later at your company in Blufton. Please extend my sympathy to you and your family.*

*Frank Manwaring##imported-begin##Frank##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2008 at 11:11 AM