



Harley F Lewis

March 6, 1917 - January 31, 2017

Harley F. Lewis, 99, of Petroleum passed away at 10:43 a.m. Tuesday, January 31, 2017, at Swiss Village in Berne.

Mr. Lewis was born on March 6, 1917 in Jay County, Indiana to William A. & Lula M. (Stout) Lewis. He graduated from Pennville High School in 1935 and attended college courses at both Ball State and Purdue University, where he was in the ROTC Program. He was a farmer and auto mechanic for many years. Harley attended the Pennville United Methodist Church where he served as superintendent for several years, along with being a member of the Petroleum Lions Club. He has been a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton for over 50 years. He also enjoyed activities at the Petroleum United Methodist Church.

During the fourth grade at school, Harley met Doris Child and on May 26, 1940 in Pennville, they were married. She preceded him in death on August 21, 2006.

Survivors include children: Kenneth (Carol) Lewis of Roanoke, Yvonne (Darrell) Scott of Cincinnati, Bradley (Becky) Lewis of Zionsville and Eric (Priscilla) Lewis of Phoenix, 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by siblings: Robert, Betty and Florence.

A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday (Feb. 11th) at the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton. Pastor Steve Bard will officiate. Calling hours will be held at the church for one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at I.O.O.F Cemetery in Pennville. Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church.

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.

Cemetery Details

I.O.O.F - Twin Hills Cemetery

7727 W 400 N
Pennville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 1:30 AM - 2:30 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
325 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN

Celebration of Life Service

FEB 11. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harley F Lewis*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Lin and I are so sorry about Harley's passing. We had planned on being there but I had been sick Thursday night and some Friday and Lin had a bad cold over the weekend. We didn't want to spread any germs.*

Harley was such a good person. When we lived in Petroleum and Lin had his Snap On business, if Lin had trouble with his truck he would drop it off and Harley would have it fixed by morning with a detailed description of what he had done with it! He always had a big smile on his face. He really missed Doris but now he can be with her..

Lin and Karen Harrold

Lin and Karen Harrold - February 13, 2017 at 01:53 PM



“ *I was blessed by Harley's influence while the family was maturing. I am thankful that he was in my life, a life well lived. God bless you Harley.*

*Vickie (Lewis) McEldowney
Fort Wayne, Indiana*

Vickie M McEldowney - February 10, 2017 at 08:50 AM



“ *Memorial Honor Blanket was purchased for the family of Harley F Lewis.*



February 05, 2017 at 07:28 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Harley's passing. I missed him at the Pennville Alumni Banquet in 2016. That was the first one he had missed in the 25 years I have been secretary of the alumni.*

I know he is happy now because he wanted to be with Doris so very much. He would always tell me this when he would make his reservation for the banquet.

I remember Harley from my high school years when I worked at the Torchlight Restaurant at Fiat - but it was very nice to get to know him again years later through the alumni.

My thoughts are with all of you - it doesn't matter how old we are when we lose a parent or our parent's age it is hard to let go.

*Sue Ann (Shultz) McLaughlin
Pennville Alumni Secretary*

Sue Ann McLaughlin - February 03, 2017 at 11:28 AM