



## Harold E. Ware

March 23, 1933 - June 25, 2021

Harold E. Ware, 88 of Bluffton, passed away on Friday evening, June 25, 2021, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born on March 23, 1933 in Huntington, Indiana to Raymond & Mary Ware. Harold attended Huntington High School. He worked at Rhodes Market in Bluffton, Estey Piano Factory, Corning Glass and at Heyerly's Market, where he greeted customers from behind the meat counter with a smile for many years. Harold enjoyed spending time at his lake cottage and was always ready to go fishing!

On April 5, 1952, Harold and Bonnie L. (Smeltzer) were married.

Survivors include his wife of 69 years Bonnie of Bluffton along with two children; Harold E. (Linda) Ware, Jr. of Wapakoneta, Ohio and Karen S. (Booth) Myers of Bluffton. He was a loving grandpa to 6 grandchildren; Angela Ware, Shelley Ware, Jennifer Booth, Kelli Booth and Christy Troxel and 9 great-grandchildren.

Harold is also survived by siblings; Janet (Lund) Barkley, Doris Brumbaugh, both of Huntington and Esther Denton.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a grandson, Bradley Ware, and

siblings; Charles Ware and Mary Yeiter.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 8 P.M. on Wednesday (June 30, 2021) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. There will be no formal service and burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Memorials may be made in Harold's memory to the Alzheimer's Association or the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

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

## Fairview Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **30**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 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 Harold E. Ware*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - June 30, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ *Harold E. Ware*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Thinking of you. Valerie Wilson Jackson*



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**Valerie Wilson Jackson** - July 17, 2021 at 09:44 PM

JM

“ To all of Harold's family, you have my sympathy. I did not know Harold personally, but I know he was my mothers(Phyllis Jay Myers) 1st cousin, and she talked about her family often when I was growing up. My grandmother Verna Smith Jay and Harold's mother were sisters.

*John Myers*

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**John Myers** - July 02, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ 153 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home** - June 29, 2021 at 03:09 PM

ND

“ So very sorry for your loss Bonnie. Harold was so nice to everybody and just remember all the wonderful times you have had together. Take care. Nancy Sowards Dunwiddie

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**Nancy Dunwiddie** - June 28, 2021 at 06:18 PM

DW

“ DeLeine (Bricker) Winchester lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Ware



DeLeine (Bricker) Winchester - June 28, 2021 at 04:57 PM

SS

“ I remember Harold from Heyerly's. He always had a smile and sometimes a corny joke to share. Loved having him wait on me. Sherrill Sprunger.

Sherrill Sprunger - June 28, 2021 at 06:59 AM

BW

“ Sorry for the loss of your father



Becky west - June 28, 2021 at 04:54 AM

CS

“ It's been close to 2 years since I've seen Harold and Bonnie. So sorry to hear of his passing. Keeping the family in our thoughts and prayers.



Catina Small - June 27, 2021 at 04:31 PM

BC

“ *Barry Crosbie lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Ware*



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**Barry Crosbie** - June 26, 2021 at 09:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold E. Ware.*



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June 26, 2021 at 10:07 AM

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“ *Herb And Janet Heyerly lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Ware*



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**Herb and Janet Heyerly** - June 26, 2021 at 08:42 AM