



Herbert Eugene "Herb" Fruchte

December 2, 1929 - August 9, 2011

Herbert Eugene "Herb" Fruchte, 81, of Monroe, died at 5:30 a.m. Tuesday at home of natural causes. He was born on December 2, 1929 in Decatur to Albert and Elma Christman Fruchte. He married Clisty Rich on August 6, 1950 and she survives. He graduated from Decatur High School in 1947 and was the second person hired at the CTS Corp. plant in Berne, where he had a long career as an engineer from 1959 until retirement. After retiring, he assisted and supported Bi-County Services. He was also very active in the Monroe United Methodist Church, including serving on the board of trustees, and was a former member of the Monroe Lions Club. Other survivors are one son, Keith Fruchte of Monroe; two daughters: Karen Bollenbacher of Decatur and Mrs. Scott (Connie) Sprunger of Berne; one brother, Roger Fruchte of Decatur; three grandchildren: Kristina Sprunger Dudgeon and Allison Sprunger of Berne and Jennifer Sprunger Gilbert of Monroe; and two great-grandchildren, Lauren Dudgeon and Austin Dudgeon of Berne. One brother, Don Fruchte, and two sisters, Juanita Wasson and Margaret Fruchte, are deceased. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Monroe United Methodist Church, with Pastor Eric Stoops officiating. Burial will be in Ray Cemetery, rural Monroe. Visiting hours will be from 2-8 p.m. Thursday and from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Friday in the church. Preferred memorials are to Monroe United Methodist Church. Funeral arrangements were by Thoma, Rich, Chaney, and Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Oakland Cemetery (Curryville Cemetery)
720 East 300 North
Craigville, IN

Visitation

AUG 12. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Service

AUG 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Herbert Eugene "Herb" Fruchte



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Herbert Eugene "Herb" Fruchte

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear about your loss. You guys are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jade & Jill Liechty & Girls##imported-end##

August 12, 2011 at 06:49 PM



“ Clisty & family. Sorry to hear of the passing of Herbe. You have our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Richard & Marlene Zeigler##imported-end##

August 12, 2011 at 04:37 PM



“ We were so saddened to hear of Herb's passing. We have nothing but great memories of having Herb and Clisty as neighbors. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Richard and Carolyn Briggs##imported-end##

August 12, 2011 at 08:41 AM



“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT HERB. HE WAS A WONDERFUL MAN AND A JOY TO WORK WITH AT CTS ALL THOSE YEARS. I KNOW YOU PROBABLY WON'T REMEMBER ME, IT HAS BEEN 32 YEARS SINCE I HAVE SEEN YOU. I NEVER FORGOT YOU OR FAMILY AND HOW NICE YOU ALWAYS WERE TO EVERYONE. LOVE AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU IN YOUR LOSS. LOUISE STEPHENS RUFUS, OR.##imported-begin##LOUISE(TAYLOR)STEPHENS##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 06:42 PM



“ Clisty and Family,

So sorry to hear about Herb's passing. There are lots of fun memories of our families spending time together. Well, now we know he's being given the grand tour of Heaven and who is showing him around! You, Keith, Karen and Connie are in our thoughts!

Steve & Elaine##imported-begin##Steve & Elaine Sliger##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 09:05 PM