



## Leonard E. Foster

March 16, 1920 - January 18, 2008

Leonard E. Foster, 87, of rural Bluffton died at 8:11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, 2008, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Born March 16, 1920, to George W. and Ruth H. (Bennett) Foster, he married Wilma M. (Vondersmith) Foster of Bluffton, who survives him, in Anderson on March 23, 1940.

Mr. Foster was a farmer since 1948. He also served in the ministry as pastor, evangelist, interim pastor and song evangelist from 1953 to 2001. He was ordained on July 28, 1974. He pastored churches in Fort Wayne, Martinsville, Chester Center, Monticello, Rockford and Gilead. He was also a member of the Mennonite Church Society from 1979 to 1997.

Other surviving relatives include two sons, Dr. Larry W. Foster of Cleveland, Ohio, Stephen G. Foster of Bluffton; one daughter, Rosalyn E. Walden of Greenwood; one brother, Robert Foster of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Shirley Zaugg of Ohio, and Martha A. Flaig of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by one son, Richard E. Foster.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home. Calling hours are 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to funeral services. Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton. Pastor Darwin Pressler will be presiding.

Preferred memorials are the donor's choice.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leonard E. Foster*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - January 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Leonard E. Foster*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Dear Rosalyn, Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, regarding the death of your father. I enjoyed the photo album, and especially the picture of your father with his accordion. I too, remember our days at Poplar Grove, and riding the school bus. Larry and I moved to Columbia SC in 1990, but he passed away in 2006, so I am alone now. I would enjoy an email from you in the future. May God lend His special comfort to you and your entire family. Fondly, Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon Zalac Bachelor##imported-end##*

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January 25, 2008 at 12:17 AM



“ Rosie, we are so sorry for the loss of your Dad. We enjoyed your video tribute. What a nice memorial for your family and friends to enjoy! We are thinking of you during this difficult time. Love and prayers, Jonathan, Karen, Parker, Peyton and Paige##imported-begin##Jonathan and Karen Walden##imported-end##

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January 23, 2008 at 04:19 PM



“ Rosalyn, Saw the name of your father in the News Banner on line. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. It has been a long time since we rode the school bus together! Lynn and I have lived in Florida for many years now. You can e-mail us if you wish. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family. Lynn and Barb Burroughs##imported-begin##Lynn and Barbara Burroughs##imported-end##

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January 22, 2008 at 11:48 AM



“ Steve and Alice Foster, Stephen, Erika, Trenton, and Jared##imported-begin##Steve and Alice Foster##imported-end##

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January 22, 2008 at 11:34 AM



“ In tribute to my Father. Who will be dearly missed. He is heaven now. I look forward to joining him some blessed day.  
Your Son, Stephen G. Foster##imported-begin##Stephen & Sandy Foster##imported-end##

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January 21, 2008 at 09:24 PM



“ *SO sorry for your loss. I know it is very difficult to deal with but to know they are much happier and in a better place and well again is what we need to remember.##imported-begin##Terry Cleveland##imported-end##*

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January 21, 2008 at 01:28 PM