



## Mrs. Louise D. West

June 28, 1938 - April 20, 2014

Louise D. West, 75, of Bluffton, passed away Sunday, April 20, 2014, at Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne.

She was born June 28, 1938, in Wells County to Andrew and Mildred Davidson Bertsch-Graft. She married Donald L. West Feb. 16, 1991, in Tocsin; he survives in Bluffton.

She was a lifelong resident of Wells County and a member of the Bluffton Church of God. She attended Lancaster High School and retired from Kitco in Bluffton in 2002 after 34 years of service. She loved to sing in the church choir. She also loved to work with her flowers and in her garden.

Grandma Weez loved spending time with her grandchildren and was always present at their activities.

She is survived by her children, Anita (Brian) Penrod of Ossian, Christian "Chris" (Jennifer) Earhart of Bluffton, Charles (Deb) Earhart of Decatur, Angie West-Waldron of Huntington, Tammy King of Bluffton, Stacey West of Warren, and Kelly (David Jr.) Gardner of Bluffton; three sisters, Irene Brown of Zanesville, Roberta Kunkel of Tocsin, and Helen (Max) Myers of Decatur; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

A service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 24, at the Bluffton Church of God with Rev. Don Marlow and Jeff Lemler officiating. Calling hours are 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be at Prairie View Cemetery in Tocsin.

Memorials may be made to the Bluffton Church of God through the funeral

home.

Funeral arrangements by Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

Online condolences at: [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Prairie View Cemetery

7250 North 600 East  
Tocsin, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 23. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

APR 24. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Bluffton Church of God  
327 West Cherry Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-8202

## Service

APR **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - April 23, 2014 at 05:12 PM



“ *Mrs. Louise D. West*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Niece Brenda McNamara By C.Houser lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**Niece Brenda McNamara by C.Houser** - April 29, 2014 at 07:36 AM



“ *Tom, Niece Brenda, and Scott, Bluffton, IN*



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**Tom, Brenda (niece), Scott McNamara** - April 28, 2014 at 03:05 PM

KI

“ Chuck,  
We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know we are all thinking  
of you and sending you strength. Your friends at Pyromation

kim - April 24, 2014 at 01:37 PM

PA

“ Thinking of you all.. Prayers sent for strength and comfort for the  
days ahead.  
Hugs and love  
Pam Crago Gaskill

pam - April 24, 2014 at 12:58 AM

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pam - April 24, 2014 at 12:58 AM

CA

“ Curt & Ruth Allen lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Louise D. West



Curt & Ruth Allen - April 24, 2014 at 12:37 AM

CU

We are so sorry for your loss We hold you in our Prayers

Curt - April 24, 2014 at 12:39 AM



“ *sorry for your loss*



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**Eunice West** - April 23, 2014 at 09:18 AM

NB

“ *Niece Sheila Wallace&Nephew Scott Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**Niece Sheila Wallace&Nephew Scott Brown** - April 23, 2014 at 08:37 AM

SH

“ *Sisters, Irene, Roberta, And Helen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**Sisters, Irene, Roberta, and Helen** - April 23, 2014 at 08:06 AM

SH

*Sisters, Irene, Roberta, and Helen (Nephew Scott, and Niece Sheila) and families*

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**Sisters, Irene, Roberta, and Helen** - April 23, 2014 at 08:09 AM

SH

*This includes Sister Irene too.*

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**Sisters, Irene, Roberta, and Helen** - April 23, 2014 at 08:16 AM

CH

“ Dear Don, Anita, Chris, and Charlie,  
Talking to Louise's sisters and niece, they too would like to light a candle in loving memory of their Sister and Aunt Louise. She was a very special lady to many, and she will be missed. Our deepest sympathy goes out to all the family at this difficult time. God Bless.  
Connie Houser for Irene Brown(nephew Scott), Roberta Kunkel (niece Sheila Wallace), and Helen Myers, and families.

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Connie Houser - April 23, 2014 at 08:03 AM

JG

“ Chris, sorry for your loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Julia (Teagle) Gerhardstein.

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julia gerhardstein - April 22, 2014 at 08:23 PM

KI

“ Anita Charlie and Chris,  
We are all so very sorry. Aunt Louise has a very special place in our hearts. Us kids can remember times when you guys came to Illinois. Remember when we got really dirty trying to catch crawdads? We are praying for you all.  
Love Kim, Jay, Kent, Terry and Don Crow

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Kim - April 22, 2014 at 03:25 PM

CD

“ Carolyn&Porter Dailey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West



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Carolyn&Porter Dailey - April 22, 2014 at 02:14 PM

CA

*Rest in Peace (cuz) Louise*

**Carolyn** - April 22, 2014 at 02:16 PM



*sorry for ur loss*

**Eunice West** - April 23, 2014 at 09:20 AM

ES

“ *CHUCK AND DEB,  
I am so sorry about the loss of your mother. I know exactly how you feel and it hurts. Just know she is in a better place now and just know that you are in my prayers! God bless and comfort you always! You are the best neighbors EVER!!  
Elise Schrock*

**Elise Schrock** - April 22, 2014 at 12:35 PM

MD

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss (uncle) Donald i'v got you and the family in my prayers.*

**Mellissa Odetta Duncan** - April 22, 2014 at 10:59 AM

DS

“ *Louise was a dear friend and a godly woman. She and Don are very dear friends of ours. They helped us a great deal while I was pastor at Tocsin Church of Faith. Don and Louise loved to eat ice cream. They took us to Zestos on many occasions. I look forward to seeing Louise again in heaven with our Lord.*

*Devon and Kathy Strine*

**Devon Strine** - April 21, 2014 at 11:13 PM

CH

“ *Connie & Jerry Houser lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**Connie & Jerry Houser** - April 21, 2014 at 07:45 PM

CH

“ *Louise was a sweet cousin of mine, and I will never forget when I was 11 and she was in her teens we rode our bicycles from Tocsin to Fort Wayne, and she would scare the wits out of me every time we passed a woods because she had a scary story to tell, but it worked because she did get me to peddle faster!!! She will be missed, our thoughts and prayers are with the family. God Bless.*

*Connie & Jerry Houser - Fort Wayne*

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**Connie & Jerry Houser** - April 21, 2014 at 07:44 PM

LG

“ *Lisa And Bill Grogg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



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**lisa and bill grogg** - April 21, 2014 at 06:28 PM

HC

“ *Herschell L. Penrod & Casey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



Herschell L. Penrod & Casey - April 21, 2014 at 05:54 PM



“ *Angie Edington lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



Angie Edington - April 21, 2014 at 08:53 AM

KF

“ *Ken And Jeannie Flowers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



Ken and Jeannie Flowers - April 21, 2014 at 07:37 AM

CA

“ *Connie Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise D. West*



connie anderson - April 21, 2014 at 07:35 AM