



## Max E Perry

November 12, 1941 - July 7, 2017

Max E. Perry, 75, of Bluffton passed early Friday morning, July 7, 2017, at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

Max was born on November 12, 1941 in Bluffton to Kenneth W. & Mary Jane (Grogg) Perry. He served our county in the United States Marines from 1960 to 1964 and retired in 1995, after working for 30 years as the Distribution Supervisor for the City of Bluffton Electric Department. He was a member of the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton.

On May 22, 1965 Max married Mary Jean (Thompson) and she preceded him in death in July 10, 1994. On May 12, 2006, Max and Mary E. (Martin) were married and she survives.

Survivors include his wife Mary of Bluffton and children; Tammy Jean Spaulding, Angela Doane, Martin (Tina) Stout, all of Bluffton, Charolette (Dave) Sawyer of Pennville and Jedediah (Amber) Garrison of Bluffton. He was a proud grandpa to 13 grandchildren; Sara (Henry) Clark, Sydney (Austin) Schortgen, Kelsey (Jeri) Marshall, Edward (Dawn) Spaulding, Joseph Perry, Arieonna Moss, Megan Sawyer, Nathan & Lauren Stout, Alyssa, Dylan and Alaina Garrison and Autumn Wittenburg along with 5 great-grandchildren: Emma, Wyatt and Lane McCune and Blakely & Graceyn Schortgen.

Max is also survived by siblings: Howard (Beverly) Perry of Bluffton, Kenneth Perry of Keystone, Roxanna Thompson of Poneto and Jessica (Lowell) Lynn of Coatesville, Indiana.

He is preceded in death by a daughter Mary Wanetta Steel, a grandson Blake

Stout, a sister Mary Lucille Angelo and two brothers Harold & Ralph "Steve" Perry.

A service to celebrate Max's life will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday (July 11, 2017) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor Steve Sutton will officiate. Burial will follow at Six Mile Cemetery with Military honors by the American Legion Post # 111 of Bluffton and the United State Marines Honor Guard.

Calling Hours will be held from 2 P.M. to 8 P.M. on Monday at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday. Memorials may be made in Max's memory to the Friends Who Care Cancer Relief Foundation. Max's 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

## Six Mile Cemetery

4795 SE State Road 116  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 10. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

JUL 11. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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

## Service

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JUL 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Max E Perry*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - July 10, 2017 at 12:31 PM

DH

*My sincere sympathy to all*

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**Deb Huffman** - July 11, 2017 at 08:31 PM



“ *Max E Perry*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM

MO

“ *I always enjoyed running into Max at work. He was the real article.....no phony veneers. And such a sense of humor. He will be missed. Max Oswald*

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**max oswalt** - July 12, 2017 at 01:50 PM

SW

“ *Sincere condolences to Max's family. Sue Weaver*

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**Sue Weaver** - July 12, 2017 at 01:43 PM

BC

“ Peace to all of Max's family and friends. I was blessed to have the opportunity to work for Max from 1980-1987. Max was not a "boss", yet an example of a real leader. Also, he was a patient teacher in all-things electric utility, the out-of-doors, life skills, etc. His enthusiasm and humor was contagious. I'm grateful for all of the mentors I've had throughout my journey of life...including Max. I wish you all the best.

*Bret Curry*

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**Bret Curry** - July 10, 2017 at 09:51 PM

JD

“ We send prayers and condolences to the family. Max was a very good man  
*Jerry and Cindy Dillon*

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**Jerold L Dillon** - July 10, 2017 at 05:02 PM

JM

“ JAMES & ROSE MARSHALL lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry



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**JAMES & ROSE MARSHALL** - July 09, 2017 at 09:43 PM

JM

ARE PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILYS AT THIS TIME. SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

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**JAMES & ROSE MARSHALL** - July 09, 2017 at 09:45 PM

AL

“ *All my Love, Jessica Lynn purchased the Roses For Sympathy for the family of Max E Perry.*



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**All my Love, Jessica Lynn** - July 09, 2017 at 10:07 AM

JD

“ *I had the opportunity as a high school student to work with Max during the summers of 1965 and 66. We became friends forever. Though we never saw each other much in later years, I always knew how much his family and friends. God bless you Max; your family is in my prayers*

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**John Daniels** - July 08, 2017 at 12:01 PM



“ *73 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home** - July 08, 2017 at 11:16 AM

KT

“ *Mary my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Max will be missed so much. He was a good man with a big heart that made a real difference in the lives that he touched. Love you so much Mary.*

**Kathy Thomas** - July 08, 2017 at 07:20 AM



“ *Beverly Steffen lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*

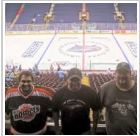


**Beverly Steffen** - July 08, 2017 at 04:06 AM



*Prayers to the family.*

**Beverly Steffen** - July 08, 2017 at 04:07 AM



“ *Wally Emley lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*



**Wally Emley** - July 07, 2017 at 11:00 PM

EF

“ *Eddie Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*



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**Eddie Ferguson** - July 07, 2017 at 10:27 PM

DG

“ *Our prayers are with Max and his family. God Bless. Dan and Darlene Gerdom*



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**Dan Gerdom** - July 07, 2017 at 09:40 PM

CA

“ *Connie Hughes Anderson lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*



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**Connie Hughes anderson** - July 07, 2017 at 07:32 PM

JS

“ *Julie & Steve Studebaker lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*




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**Julie & Steve Studebaker** - July 07, 2017 at 06:56 PM

JS

*Will miss his stories. Always love talking to Max. May God be with the family.*

**Julie and Steve** - July 07, 2017 at 06:57 PM

 Amy  
Arnold  
Graham

“ *Your family is in our thoughts and prayers...Ryan & Amy Graham & boys*



**Amy Arnold Graham** - July 07, 2017 at 05:58 PM

SF

“ *So sorry for your loss. Max and Howard were sharing a lot of funny stories at Moms memorial 2 years ago. I could see that the 2 of them together would be a blast anytime anywhere.*

**Steve Franze** - July 07, 2017 at 04:58 PM

DD

“ *Dick Dickason lit a candle in memory of Max E Perry*



**Dick Dickason** - July 07, 2017 at 04:48 PM

DD

*I never met a finer person or a better friend. Many people will miss him*

**Dick Dickason** - July 07, 2017 at 05:10 PM



“ *We're very sorry for your loss and we love you all!* ”



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**Jennifer Dunnuck** - July 07, 2017 at 02:31 PM

SH

“ *So very sorry for your loss my prayers are sent* ”

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**Susie (hatten) hupp** - July 07, 2017 at 01:53 PM

CF

“ *Keeping his family in our thoughts and prayers!* ”



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**Catina Small and Family** - July 07, 2017 at 12:36 PM

JH

*Sorry for your loss keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Joyce Huss** - July 07, 2017 at 04:24 PM