



## Robert "Bob" G. Brickley

December 24, 1925 - August 7, 2015

Robert G. (Bob) Brickley, 89, of Craigville died Friday, August 7, from age-related causes.

A life-long resident of Wells County, he was the second of seven children born to Dwight E. and Ruby Brickley on December 24, 1925. He married Delila Frauhiger in 1947. He married Priscilla Brinneman in 1976. She died in June, 2015.

When he was a child, the Brickley family lived at Chester Center, Plumtree and Petroleum, where he graduated from high school. Bob played sports in high school and participated in softball, basketball and track. He enjoyed being active and continued playing softball as an adult. He was on bowling teams and golf teams and in his later years he won awards for his prowess in golf, which he was able to play until very late in life.

Bob was a veteran of WWII, entering the Army in 1944. He served with the 63rd Infantry, B Company and was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster.

He worked at Gerber Furniture, then at Franklin Electric, from where he retired after 33 years. Over the years his hobbies included mushroom hunting, fishing, gardening, woodworking and golf. He was a 70-year member of the American Legion and had belonged to the Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by his older brother, Richard, and sisters Wilda Holmes and Meleta Eschbaugh.

Survivors include two brothers: Earl (Shirley) Brickley of Bluffton and Jerry

(Janice) Brickley of Springboro OH; sister Phyllis (Herman) Fiechter of Craigville; four children, Sandy (Mike) Thoele of Oregon, Diane (Pat) Oetting of Fort Wayne, Gale (Marlene) Brickley of Oregon, and Cheryl (Jim) Hunt of Oregon; step-sons Larry Brinneman of Kentucky and Dave (Rita) Brinneman of Bluffton, seven grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

A service to celebrate Bob's life will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday (August 12, 2015) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

Pastor Steve Bard will officiate. Calling hours will be held from 2 to 5 & 6 to 8 on Tuesday and for one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Burial will take place at Elm Grove Cemetery with military rites by the United States Army Honor Guard and American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton. Memorial contributions may be made to Family Life Care / Hospice of Berne. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can share online condolences and memories at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

AUG 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

AUG 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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

## Service

AUG 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert "Bob" G. Brickley*



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**Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home** - August 11, 2015 at 12:19 PM



“ *Robert "Bob" G. Brickley*

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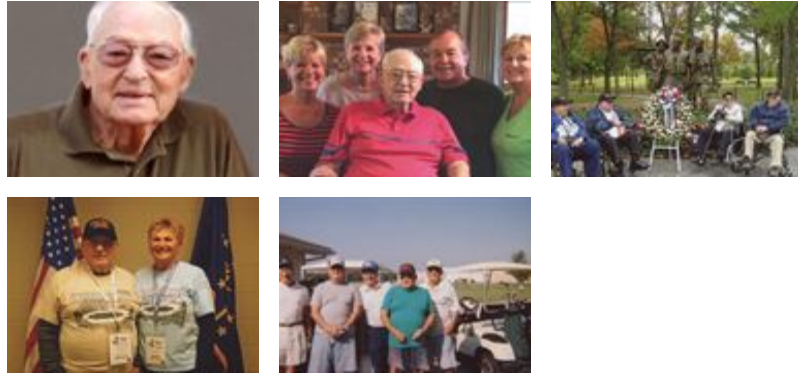


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**Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home** - August 11, 2015 at 11:47 AM



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Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 10, 2015 at 05:49 PM



“ sorry for your lost will miss seeing him in church



Tonya Sills - August 10, 2015 at 02:48 PM



“ I was so sorry to read of Bobs passing , thoughts and prayers are with the family. I knew them from Petroleum.

Rosalee (Kirkwood) Hockenberry - August 09, 2015 at 12:26 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. We wish that we were closer. Love, Mike and Carla

Michael Knowles - August 09, 2015 at 10:20 AM

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“ Gale, Cheryl and Brickley family, So sorry for the loss of this sweet man. I knew him at Franklin (my dad, Dwight Wilson, worked there forever, too, and always thought a lot of Bob) and, of course, through our BYF meetings at your house. I did not realize he was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge and had received a Purple Heart. In addition to being a good guy, he was a great patriot. Thank you for that, Bob. God bless you.

*Valerie Wilson Jackson, Ossian*

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**VALERIE WILSON JACKSON** - August 08, 2015 at 02:07 PM