



William L. Hughes

October 28, 1929 - May 23, 2009

William L. Hughes, 79, Ossian, died at 4:57 a.m. Saturday, May 23, 2009 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Born on October 28, 1929 to Basil and Ruby (Harover) Hughes in Beech Grove, he married Mary C. Burns on April 16, 1982 in Ossian; she survives. After graduating from Beech Grove High School in 1948, Mr. Hughes served his country in the U.S. Navy from 1948 to 1950. He worked for the Indianapolis Power & Light Co. for 43 years as a service line man, retiring in 1992. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Indianapolis and the Harvest Free Will Baptist Church in Fort Wayne.

In addition to his wife of 27 years, he is survived by five sons, Steven Trent of Stylesville, Noel Spencer (Jeanne) Hughes of Fortville, Robert Hughes of Indianapolis, Joseph Burcham of Fort Wayne, and Timothy (Dena) Burcham of Fort Wayne; three daughters, Sheila Hinderliter of Indianapolis, Donna Figaro of Gainesville, Fla., and Alicia Branning of Bluffton; two sisters, Wanda (Tom) Rhudy of Brownsburg and Deanna Hughes of Cheblygone, Mich.; two brothers, Donald (Lois) Hughes of New Port Richie, Fla. and James Carter of Costamesa, Calif.; 17 grandchildren; and ten great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Susan Jones in 2008, and two former wives, Phyllis Hughes and Carol Hughes.

Services will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home with Rev. Murray Clugston officiating. Calling hours are Wednesday from 3 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home and Thursday for one hour

prior to the service.

Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery in Ossian. Military grave side rites will be performed by American Legion Post 111 and the U.S. Navy Honor Guard.

Preferred memorials are to Family Hospice & Palliative Care or to the family.

Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wiliam L. Hughes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - May 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wiliam L. Hughes*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Mary, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I really enjoyed meeting him and will always remember when you and Bill came to my house for a visit along with Aunt Blanche and Uncle Buck and stayed overnight. It was such a fun time. May God keep you and family close and give you the comfort that only He can give. I love you. Mary Elizabeth and Family##imported-begin##Mary (Beaver) Cox##imported-end##*

May 26, 2009 at 07:32 PM



“*Mary: Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. You may not remember me, but I remember you from years ago in Louisville. I am June's nephew (Lloyd's youngest brother's son). Our assembly will be praying for you. Glenn Goodwin, and the Des Moines Gospel Assembly.##imported-begin##Rev. Glenn Goodwin##imported-end##*

May 26, 2009 at 08:14 AM



“*Mary, I was so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I know he was a good husband to you. A good Father and Grandfather to his children. You will miss him very much. We are praying for you. I know the lord can comfort you at a time such as this. I love you as my sister, and I'm praying for you. June Goodwin##imported-begin##june goodwin##imported-end##*

May 25, 2009 at 06:42 PM



“ Hi Aunt Mary,
I want to take this opportunity to let you know how loved uncle Bill was. We all have such fond memories of him. Today Dan shared his fondest memory. We were all at dad's house and the phone rang, uncle Bill answered it, it was Erina's mom... she asked for Eraina, Uncle Bill said, raining, no it isn't raining, and hung up on her... we also remember how much fun he had with Craig and his hat filled with pins. We still have the pins he gave Craig, to add to his collection. We will all miss, but cherish the memories we have of Uncle Bill. We love you and hold you in our prayers.
Love always,
Claudia, Dan, and Craig###imported-begin##Claudia Fay###imported-end##

May 25, 2009 at 05:41 PM



“ Mary and Family, we are keeping you all in our prayers. and will do so for days to come. Bill was loved dearly by our famuiy, he was a very Special Person and will be missed by all of us. God Comfort You All. Love Gary and Irene###imported-begin##Gary and Irene Ramsey###imported-end##

May 25, 2009 at 10:11 AM



“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of my brother, Bill. He was a good father and lived a good life. My prayers are with Mary, his wife, and all his children and grandchildren.###imported-begin##Deanna Hughes###imported-end##

May 24, 2009 at 09:40 PM