



Joseph Leo Ward

December 10, 1908 - August 20, 2007

Ft. Collins, Colorado - Joseph Leo Ward, 98, Ft. Collins, died Monday, August 20, 2007 at his son's home, Bill Ward, in Fort Collins. Leo was born December 10, 1908 in Springfield, Kentucky to William N. and Gerdie Mae Goodie Ward. The family relocated to Lakeland, Florida early in the depression. Leo was the oldest of six children, Dud, Pete, Edith, Clara and Estelle all deceased. He moved to Anderson in 1935 to work in the canvas business where he met the love of his life, Mable Irene Hosier and married May 24, 1937. Leo completed high school in night school in Anderson. He was owner of Anderson Canvas Company until the outbreak of WWII. He worked at Delco Remy during the war and opened Ward's Awning Company following the war. Beginning on Morton Street, the business grew and moved to Madison Avenue in the 1960's. Leo and Mabel retired in 1974 to enjoy staying home, traveling around the country, and volunteering at the First Baptist Church. As a long time member at First Baptist, he served as a deacon and trustee several times. While in business, he was an active member of Kiwanis Club. Mabel died in 1989 after 52 years of marriage. Leo is survived by his two sons: Terry L. Ward of Centennial, Colorado and William N. Ward of Ft. Collins, Colorado. Four grandchildren: Anne Montgomery of Norristown, Pennsylvania, Amy Robey of Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, Brad Ward of Ft. Collins, Colorado and Todd Ward of Rangely, Colorado. The graveside service will be Monday, August 27, 2007 at 1:00 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery, Anderson with Dr. Art Jaggard officiating. Memorial

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