



Loris Harless

May 24, 1923 - December 1, 2016

Loris D. Harless, 93, of Pendleton, passed away December 1, 2016 at Community Hospital Anderson. He was born on May 24, 1923 in Pendleton, Indiana to Ernest and Iva Mae (Day) Harless and graduated from Pendleton High School in 1941.

He was a member of the Pendleton Christian Church for over 50 years, where he taught classes, was deacon and elder. He and Mary Lou were baptized by the Rev. Bill Knight. He was an active member of the Farmer's Market in Pendleton since its beginning and continued to enjoy raising tomatoes, gladiolas, and making projects like bird and squirrel feeders to sell.

He served as a tail gunner in the U.S. Army Air Corp, after being drafted in 1941; and flew 40 missions in the Pacific. When an engine failed on one mission, the crew had to parachute onto Japanese occupied territory in the Philippines where he and George Roof were led to camp by a Philippino native.

As a young boy, he worked for Luther Shuman, helping with the threshing, driving the horses and doing chores. He was a jack of all trades: repairing watches, bicycles, cars, lawn mowers, small appliances, tractors, and etc. He owned Harless Sales & Service on Pearl Street and later on Pendleton Avenue for many years. He was a machine builder at Delco Remy for 43

years retiring in 1985. He also farmed during this time.

Loris is survived by his 2 sons, Steven Mark (Sue) Harless and Luke (Anne) Harless both of Pendleton; 2 daughters, Marilyn (Matthew) Wand of Pendleton and Sara Howell of Anderson; Seven grandchildren, Angela (Jamie) Lunsford, Tyler (Becca) Wand, Jonathan (Ashley) Owens, Katrina Owens (Justin Yeary), Faith Howell, Charity Howell, and Alan Harless; 4 Great-Grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by Parents; Wife, Mary Lou (McIntire) Harless; brother, Lawrence Harless; son, Jerry Alan Harless.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 6:30 PM, Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at Loose Funeral Home & Crematory, 200 West 53rd Street, Anderson.

Celebration of Life Services will be Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 6:30 PM at the funeral home with Pastor Jim Blackwell officiating.

Cremation will take place.

Memorial contributions may be made to Outfitters in Pendleton.

www.loosecares.com.

Cemetery Details

Cremation will take place

Anderson, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 7. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory
200 W 53rd St
Anderson, IN 46013
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Memorial Service

DEC 7. 6:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“*Condolences to the Harless family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.*

Williams Family - December 09, 2016 at 01:24 PM

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“*In March, 1956, for my 10th birthday, my parents paid \$ 10.00 down on a \$ 60.00 Huffy bicycle for my birthday and Mr. Harless financed the balance. Each week I would take my paper route earnings and make a payment. I don't remember how long it took to pay off the loan, but it was paid in full. This would never happen into today's world, but I wanted to share this great memory with his family.
Gene Crye, Fort Myers, FL.*

Gene Crye - December 04, 2016 at 07:20 AM

LM

“*My condolences to all the family. He always was sharing a smile. Will miss seeing him at the market on Saturdays.
Laura Mulder-Pendleton*

Laura Mulder - December 03, 2016 at 02:21 PM

JM

“*I am so sorry to hear Mr. Harless has passed. He always has a good story to share and was a kind hearted man.*

Johnella Mathley - December 03, 2016 at 10:41 AM