



Ozias E. Gates, Jr.

November 25, 1935 - August 11, 2009

Anderson - Ozias E. "Odie" Gates Jr., 73, Anderson, passed away peacefully at home by his family's side on August 11, 2009 after an extended illness. He was born November 25, 1935 in Anderson, Indiana. He was a veteran and served in the US Airforce in 1952. He was honorably discharged in 1956. Odie retired from Fisher Body Division of General Motors in Marion after 30 years of employment. He was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Anderson. Odie loved fishing, music, sports, and spending time with his entire family. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Shirley P. Gates of Anderson whom he married on August 18, 1957; brother, Charles wife, Jewell Gates of Tennessee; son, Randy wife, Traci Gates of Anderson; daughter, Lesley husband, Byron Brown of Daleville; son, Marty wife, Lisa Gates; and daughter, Shelly husband, Rich Garrison of Frankton. He was blessed with wonderful grandchildren, and they are Tucker and Annie Gates, Robert, Nick, Bryce Ann Powell, Cody, Nicole and D.J. Brown, Landon Gates, Anthony Thompson, Levi and Wesley Garrison. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews and special friends, Bill Figel and Vic Christhoff. He was preceded in death by his parents, Wilma H. and Albert C. Melton and Ozias E. Gates, Sr. Visitation will be from 4-8:00 PM on Friday, August 14, 2009 at Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, South Chapel; 200 W. 53rd Street; Anderson. Services will be Saturday, August 15, 2009 at 1:00 PM, at the funeral home, south chapel, with Dr. Leigh Crockett officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery, Anderson. Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Baptist

Church; 432 West 300 North; Anderson, IN 46012. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

Tribute Wall

JR

“ Shirley and Family... Odie was a wonderful friendly man. He always waved at me when I got off work and passed by him. You all were so blessed to have him in your life. God Bless all of you, Juanita Roof

Juanita Roof - August 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I am so very sorry for your loss! Odie was a great man and I know the hole that will be left without him! My condolences to all of you! Marsha

Marsha Shively Sharp - August 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Randy Sorry to learn of your Father's death and our sympathy and thoughts are with you at this time. John E. Eisele & staff

John E. Eisele - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Marty Gates & families, So sorry to hear of the passing of your father. Words cannot express the sorrow and sympathy felt for you all now. May God be with you. May he who watches over us all comfort you in this time of sorrow. Sincerely, with love, Lois Fultz

Lois Fultz - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM