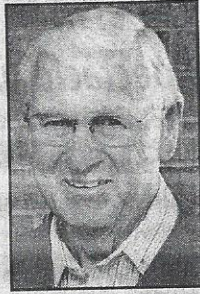


Raymond Fred 'Ray' Williamson

Raymond Fred "Ray" Williamson, 90, passed away peacefully at 3 p.m. Sept. 12, 2017, at his home on the family farm where he lived his entire life.

He was born June 2, 1927, in Prairie Township, to Fred Williamson and E. Fern Yeiter Williamson.

He married Margret E. "Marg" Smith on Dec. 14, 1947. They were married for 54 years prior to her passing on Jan. 14, 2002. He married Denyse M. Bolt Blankenship on March 29, 2003; she survives.



Ray attended school in Atwood. He was a member of Warsaw Church of God and the Atwood Lions Club. He was Kosciusko County Fireman of the Year in 1973.

As a child, he helped his dad along with neighbors cut blocks of ice from Hoffman Lake to deliver to local residents for use in their ice boxes. They stored ice over the summer packed in sawdust in the ice house. Ray designed and built a tandem hook-up that connected two tractors together, which enabled him to pull six 16-inch plows.

Ray was a retired farmer and known for raising llamas, many of them beautiful and grand champion show llamas. He and his late wife, Marg, started the Hoosier Llama Lovers 4-H Club back in the 1980s.

Ray is survived by his wife, Denyse Williamson, Atwood; two sons, Mike (Rhonda) Williamson, Atwood, and Gary Williamson, Elkhart; three stepchildren: Cheryl Berry-Blankenship, Muscoda, Wis.; Charlie (Glenda) Blankenship, Port Orchard, Wash.; and Cynthia (David) Laramie, San Diego, Calif.; seven grandchildren: Amber Verble, Nick Williamson, Brandon (Jenn) Williamson, Eric Williamson, Brian (Ashley) Williamson, Dylan Williamson and Cole Williamson; nine stepgrandchildren: Richie (Christie) Brown, Brandy (Brandon) Ley, Sarah Berry, Heather (Jan) Kristoffersen, Jake (Ashley) Blankenship, Zachery (Meggan) Blankenship, Abby Blankenship, Lucy Laramie and Philip Laramie; 11 great-grandchildren; seven stepgreat-grandchildren; a brother, Arden Williamson, Piercetown; and a sister, Lucille Grimm, North Manchester.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Margret Williamson, Jan. 14, 2002; two brothers, Lester Williamson and George Williamson; and a sister, Velma Gruenwald.

A time of sharing with the family will take place from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, at Titus Funeral Home, 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw.

A funeral service celebrating Ray's life will take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, with visitation one hour prior, at Warsaw Church of God, 1059 Rozella Road, Warsaw. Pastors Tim Kumfer and Jerry Yoder of Warsaw Church of God will officiate.

Burial will follow in Stony Point Cemetery, Atwood.

Memorials to Warsaw Church of God, 1059 Rozella Road, Warsaw, IN 46580; or Atwood Lions Club, 213 Hovey St., Atwood, IN 46502.

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Bettie J. Wilson

Aug. 1, 1931 - July 27, 2016



Bettie Wilson

Bettie J. Wilson, 84, Rochester, passed away at 5:20 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2016, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

She was born on Aug. 1, 1931, in Valley Station, Ky., the daughter of Edford and Sudie Belle (White) Stroud.

On Nov. 14, 1959, in Michigan City, she married E. Wayne Wilson. He preceded her in death on June 20, 2010.

Mrs. Wilson had worked as a press operator at Hart, Schaffner & Marx, and in her free time, enjoyed plants, flowers, shopping and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her children, Sherry and husband Robert Halterman, Macy, and David Albert and wife Kathie Fall, Akron; stepson Randall and wife Leona Singleton, North Muskegon, Mich.; grandchildren Anthony Halterman, Macy, Andrew Halterman, Macy, Marcus Halterman, Rochester, Michelle and husband Craig Brouyette, Rochester, Ryan and wife Amanda Fall, Fort Wayne, Phillip and wife Stephanie Furnas, Fort Wayne, Robert Furnas, Akron, Malinda Furnas, Logansport, Betty Lou Deadel, North Platte, Neb., Billie Jo Moore, Rochester, Wash., Bruce Lee Fromme, North Platte, Neb., Brittney Fromme, Rochester, Dakota Fromme, Rochester, Cheyenne Fromme, Rochester, Jay Singleton, North Muskegon, Mich., Larrisa and husband Eric DuRose, Muskegon, Mich., and Randall Ray Jr. and wife Heather Singleton,

Michigan; 47 great-grandchildren; sisters Leatta Conrad, Rochester, Loletta Stroud, Akron, and Mona Sue Harmon, Indiana; and brother Charles and wife Annette Young, Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her son, Rusty Fromme; granddaughter Dawn Bearman; and grandson Russell E. Fromme II.

Memorial graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Aug. 4, 2016, at Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, with Chaplain Jason See officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Rochester Garden Club. Arrangements are by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences may be expressed at www.zimmerman-brosfh.com.

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