



DeLoyce W. "Sonny" Cripe

October 27, 1928 - June 28, 2024

WALKERTON - DeLoyce W. "Sonny" Cripe of rural Walkerton passed away peacefully on Friday, June 28, 2024 in his home following an illness. He was born on October 27, 1928 in Walkerton to the late Charles and Zelma (Walters) Cripe and was 95 years old at the time of his death.

He lived in the area most of his life. He was a Veteran of the US Army serving post World War II and continued his service to his country by being a member of the Walkerton American Legion Post 189 and the North Liberty VFW Post 1954.

Sonny was a widow to two previous wives. Irma Jane "Janie" (Zahrn) who died in 1968, and Kathy (Hunt) who died in 1998. He married his present wife Terri (Emmons) on July 15, 2000 in Walkerton.

He was also a member of the Lakeville Masonic Lodge. Sonny had many hobbies and interests, such as fishing, but golf was certainly at the top. He was an avid golfer well into his 90's including the Tuesday Night Men's League at Swan Lake Resort. Another of these was that he enjoyed playing pool and played in various pool leagues also well into his 90's. Most of all, Sonny cherished his family dearly

Sonny is survived by his wife Terri of Walkerton; six children Kathy (Jeff) Delaplane of Bloomington, IN, Kitty (Bob) Holland of Walkerton, Karol (Tim)

Jackson of Walkerton, Kris (Andy) Beerwart of Iowa, Aaron (Danette) Cripe of Walkerton, and Nathan (Angela) Cripe of Walkerton; two step children Rona Plummer of South Bend and Rocky Plummer of Plymouth; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; and two sisters Kay (Dirk) Pletcher of Walkerton and Kari Albert of Walkerton. He is preceded in death by his parents; two wives; and one sister Nancy Reese.

Visiting hours will be from 11:00 to 1:00 EDT Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at the Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 1:00 EDT also on Wednesday, July 3 at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

Industrial Park Drive and US 6
Walkerton, IN 46574

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel
7984 N. State Road 23
Walkerton, IN 46574
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<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JUL 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of DeLoyce W. "Sonny" Cripe.*



July 03, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time of sorrow. May God bless you with all the fond memories you were able to share with him.*
Sim and Marcy Caron

Sim&Marcy Caron - July 02, 2024 at 08:47 AM



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July 02, 2024 at 06:39 AM



“ *Rest in peace old friend. I remember bowling against Sonny way back in late 50's when Liberty Lanes first opened and playing golf with him when he was in his late 80's and early 90's. He was always so much fun to compete with and against.*

Bill Doan - July 01, 2024 at 11:04 AM

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“ *Sonny, thank you for your service to our country.
He was a good man and will be missed.
Sincerely,
Neighbors,
Keith & Donna Raspovich*

KEITH RASPOVICH - June 29, 2024 at 04:10 PM

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R. I. P. Brother-In- Law and Lodge Brother.

Rob Roberts - June 29, 2024 at 06:26 PM

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Sonny was one of our dearest friends, as is Terri. We will miss him terribly and many, many wonderful times at the Lake. RIP, Sonny, we SO enjoy our memories!

Cindy Martin Milner - June 29, 2024 at 06:44 PM