



Donald "Lightning" Griffith

January 12, 1930 - August 22, 2015

KNOX-Donald W. "Lightning" Griffith, 85, passed away at his home on Saturday, August 22, 2015.

Donald was born January 12, 1930, in Gary, IN, to Ward W. and Luella (Herbst) Beerwart and lived in the area most of his life. In November of 1959, in Muncie, IN, he was married to the former Ruth Rhamey. Donald was a retired employee of the Starke County Highway Department and a member of the United Baptist Church of Ober. He loved playing cards, was a friend to everyone he met and as Lightning said, "I'm not trying to glorify myself, but, I was saved by the grace of God and baptized in 1955".

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; three children, Kathy Hines of Hamlet, Teri Griffith-Miller of Plymouth, and Donald Griffith of Knox; seven grandchildren, Shara Smith, Christopher Hines, Lindsay Miller-Christensen, Brittney Miller, Chasity Griffith, Emily Griffith, and Madison Miller; one great-grandson, Blaze Smith; and three siblings, Gus "Fred" Beerwart, Carl "Ed" Beerwart, and Marcella Everage. He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Rachel Ann; and three siblings, Bob Griffith, Hazel Leh, and a twin brother that died at birth.

Funeral services will be Saturday, August 29, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. (Central Time) at the United Baptist Church of Ober where friends may visit on Saturday at

the church from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Burial will follow at the Hanna Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the United Baptist Church of Ober. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ Donald and Ruth have been a part of my family for many years, my Aunt Zinda's brother in law. I enjoyed seeing them and although time passes and miles seperates, all of you have never been forgotten. May God Bless all of you.

Deborah Walton - April 29, 2018 at 07:00 PM

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“ Leave a condolence or a memory.

Annette sailers - April 29, 2018 at 07:00 PM

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“ I really enjoyed the time I spent that summer. Memories and fun times with my cousins that summer. You will be missed forever uncle Don was one of my favorite so is my aunt ruth you will always be in my heart lots of love annette

kathryn annette sailers - April 29, 2018 at 07:00 PM



We love you too!!

Teri Miller - August 19, 2021 at 07:30 PM

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Shara Smith - April 29, 2018 at 07:00 PM