



Howard J. Helton

June 28, 1927 - July 12, 2013

KNOX-Howard J. Helton, 86, passed away Friday, July 12, 2013 at IU Health LaPorte Hospital, LaPorte, IN. Mr. Helton was born June 28, 1927 in Hammond, IN to James and Dula (Lotspeitch) Helton and lived in the area most of his life. On October 10, 1947 in Knox, he was married to the former Betty Northam. Surviving are his wife, Betty; two sons, Jack (Gail) Helton of Mesa, AZ and William (Kathy) Helton of Hamlet; one daughter, Shirley (Devon) Golding of Bass Lake; eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Helton was a farmer. He was a past member of the Starke County 4-H Fair Board, the Starke County Farm Bureau and the Hamlet United Methodist Church.

There will be no services or visitation. Cremation will take place. Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is handling arrangements.