



## Larry K. Ruggles

February 10, 1941 - October 26, 2020

HAMLET – Larry K. Ruggles of Hamlet passed away on Monday, October 26, 2020 in LaPorte Hospital following an illness. He was born on February 10, 1941 in LaPorte to the late Kenneth and Thelma (Walter) Ruggles and was 79 years-old at the time of his death.

He lived in the Hamlet/Plymouth area most of his life. On May 24, 1964 Larry married the love of his life, Judy Smith, in Elkhart and they spent 56 wonderful years together. He was a retired High School Teacher having taught 30 years at Plymouth High School and 2 ½ years at Elkhart Schools. He taught auto mechanics and Driver's Education at Plymouth High School and Culver Military Academy and Driver's Education for Oregon-Davis Schools. Larry was a member of the Tracy United Methodist Church, the Marshall County Retired Teacher's Association, Plymouth Masonic Lodge #149, and South Bend Scottish Rite. He also helped on the family farm and continued to run it after his father's death in 2000, and was a member of the Starke County Co-Op. Larry is survived by: wife Judy of Hamlet; one daughter Joan (Darren) Piedmonte of Goshen, KY; five grandchildren Alexandria (Cory) Balthrop, Dominic Piedmonte, Anthony Piedmonte, Breanne (Dakota) Farmer, and Rebecca Ruggles; and one great grandson Weston Balthrop. He is preceded in death by his parents, one son Robert Ruggles, and one sister Peggy Kaiser.

Graveside services will be held at 11:00 EST (10:00 CST) Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. In lieu of flowers

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Tracy United Methodist Church, 1702 E. US Hwy 6 & US Hwy 35, Hamlet, IN 46532. The Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel is honored to be entrusted with Larry's care.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

Industrial Park Drive and US 6  
Walkerton, IN 46574

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

NOV 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

AM

“ I was shocked to hear of Larry’s passing. He was my cousin and we had many great conversations over the years about current events, growing up, and our families. Judy and family memories will remain in our hearts forever. Alan Marquis and family

Alan Marquis - November 07, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ I'm very sad to hear of Larry's passing. He and my Dad were good friends at PHS. Dad would talk about Larry often and share his humorous stories. I hope that warm memories and strong faith will give you comfort in this difficult time.

Ken Shilt - November 04, 2020 at 07:46 AM

BA

“ so sorry to hear or see about Larry passing We were about the same age and growing up with Grandma Becky deepest sympathy to his wife and all the family

BARBARA ABeI - November 02, 2020 at 09:36 AM

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“ Judy and family, I send sympathy and prayers for the loss of your loved one. May all the wonderful memories help sustain you. He will remain in your hearts forever. Anna Anderson



Anna Anderson - October 31, 2020 at 11:46 AM

KP

“ *Judy, I am so very sorry to hear of Larry’s passing. He was such a great guy. I have always had so much respect for both of you. You and Joannie are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this very difficult time.*

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**kathy jung parker** - October 29, 2020 at 10:00 AM

 John  
Houin

“ *My Condolences and prayers to all the Family and Judy. Larry was such a great man and loved by everyone! John Houin*

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**John Houin** - October 29, 2020 at 08:41 AM

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*Larry was a terrific teacher, and it was my pleasure to work with him at Plymouth High School. Judy, you and the family are in my prayers*

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**Dick Featherstone** - November 01, 2020 at 08:14 PM