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CULVER-Wilbur "Ray" Dowd, 83, passed away Friday, February 5, 2016 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth, IN.

Mr. Dowd was born May 18, 1932 in Starke County, IN to Everett E. and Mary I. (Ludders) Dowd and lived in the area all of his life. He was a retired farmer and a U.S. Army veteran.

On October 6, 1954 in Knox, IN, he was married to the former Rachel Sinn. Survivors include his wife, Rachel; two sons, Randy (Melody) Dowd of Culver and Tony (Denise) Dowd of Knox; two daughters, Teena (Laurel) Pike of Rochester and Brenda Greer of Culver; seven grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; one brother, Everett Dowd Jr. of Wisconsin; and four sisters, Mary Herring, Shirley Schultz, and Virginia Sellers, all of Arizona and Doris Heise of Knox.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Debra; one sister, Lois Kime; and one brother, Wayne Dowd.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. (Central Time) in Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet. Burial will follow at the Fletcher

Cemetery with Military Graveside Services being conducted. Friends may visit Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CST and Wednesday one hour prior to the service.

Tribute Wall

BH

“ *May God watch over you and bless you through this transition.*

Brett Hooker - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

KW

“ *Its not often that we are lucky enough to get the chance to know someone who effects our lives in a positive way. Ray was an honest, hardworking man with a wonderful sense of humor. I remember him coming into the kitchen while Rachel was cooking and he would grab her around the waist and say.. "Howdy good lookin...whatcha got cookin" Rachel would blush and Ray would laugh.. You were a great guy Ray, and you will be sadly missed.*

Kathy Warrick - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

ND

“ *I am so sorry for your loss my heart and prayers are with you all*

Nanette Durbin - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

JA

“ *We are sorry for your loss.
Jack and Deb Huffer*

Jack - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

CA

“ *Going to miss you Pops! Love Carol*

Carol - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

DS

“ Ray was one of the "Best" A very special friend. Ray, and Rachel and my husband and I shared a lot of good times. So glad I have those memories.
He will be sadly missed Diana

Diana Shot - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM



“ I had the greatest memory of Ray being our neighbor. He was always bigger than life. One of the funniest moments was when mom would sneak out and sunbathing on our deck, and Ray would walk up from the shed in back and caught mom unexpectedly....with "Hey Joan, what are you up to". I would laugh so hard as Ray would smile and laugh! Ray was a good and honest man. He had a wonderful family and with that said, My deepest sympathy to Rachel and the family.Karen Lucas

April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

DT

“ Randy, Brenda and families,

We are so very sorry to hear about your father. Know that we are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

Doug & Sandy

Doug & Sandy Thomas - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

PH

“ My condolences to the family. He was a great friend to my late husband Jim.

Pam Heim - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM

CB

“ Rachel so sorry to about Ray you and family prayers to u and family

CONNIE BRADLEY - April 29, 2018 at 06:51 PM