



William S. Wakal

October 21, 1930 - September 14, 2016

KNOX-William S. Wakal, 85, passed away Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at his home.

Mr. Wakal was born October 21, 1930 in Knox, Ind. to Harry and Mary (Beck) Wakal and lived in the area all of his life. He was a former employee of Starke Memorial Hospital in Knox. He was a member of the Knox United Methodist Church, the Knox Masonic Lodge #639 F & AM, and the South Bend Scottish Rite. Mr. Wakal was a former mayor of Knox, former president of the Indiana Hospital Engineers Association, was a former volunteer of many community organizations and was elected to several public offices including the Knox City Council.

On July 29, 1950 in Hamlet, Ind., he was married to the former Joan Schrishuhn, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Diane; one grandson, Aaron; three brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include one daughter, Kathy (David) Young of Hendersonville, N.C; two sons, William L. (Shirlee) Wakal of Knox and Ben Wakal of Knox; five grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Marion Wakal of Jeannette, Pa. and Russell Wakal of Niagara Falls, Canada.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. (Central Time) at the Knox United Methodist Church with Pastor Dean Fager and Pastor Phil Emerson officiating. Burial will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox. Friends may visit Monday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel and Tuesday at the church one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to VNA Hospice.

Tribute Wall

BJ

“ So sorry for your loss.

Brenda Joseph - April 29, 2018 at 06:40 PM

LW

“ Rest in peace Bill. Condolences to the Wakal family Louise Williams

Louise Williams - April 29, 2018 at 06:40 PM

SL

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Wakal family. I have many fond memories of sitting around the Wakal dinner table sharing good times. Prayers are being sent.

Sharon Leedy - April 29, 2018 at 06:40 PM

RC

“ I have fond memories of Will and Joan especially relating to the planning and building of the present Knox United Methodist Church. Will helped to keep everyone on track as prepared to decide on funding and building the church building. He and wife Joan worked hard in constructing the building and on occasion seen atop the roof putting down shingles. God Bless Will!

Rev. James Copeland - April 29, 2018 at 06:40 PM

EH

“ Our families grew up together; in town, at school, at church. I was so sorry to learn of your mother's passing from that too common foe, cancer. I was sorry to learn of your dad's passing. They were such warm, kind, loving people. May God's healing touch wrap you all; know that you are loved. Best wishes, Edie (I just let my siblings know)

Edie Simmons Huffman - April 29, 2018 at 06:40 PM