

News Banner, Wells County, Indiana; Monday, March 4, 2002

Gene A. Masters, 73

A native of Adams County and former resident of Fort Wayne, Gene A. Masters, 73, died at 4:40 p.m. Friday at the residence of a daughter in Festus, Mo., after an illness of one year. Mr. Masters was retired as a sales representative at Modern Photo in Indianapolis, where in 1979 he was recognized as the top regional salesman by Vivitar Camera. He was a member of the U.S. Navy Reserves and a graduate in 1947 of Peru High School. He was an avid golfer and pursued photography and motorcycle riding as his interests. He was born in St. Marys Township, Adams County, Jan. 31, 1929 to Harold and Madge Davis Masters. Surviving are two sons, Robert G. of New Port Richey, Fla., and Cary D. of Marion; five daughters, Mrs. Dennis (Michelle) Sexton of Van Buren, Mrs. Paul (Micki) DeLaney of Festus, Mo., Mrs. John (Pam) Vadas of Hammond, Mrs. Steve (Kimberle) English of Louisville, Ky., and Sabrina N. Masters of Indianapolis; a sister, Mrs. Richard (Marilynn) Kleinknight of Bluffton; a brother, Joseph N. Masters of Seattle, Wash.; and 14 grandchildren. A grandson is deceased. Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home in Decatur with Rev. Blake Neff officiating and burial will be in Tricker Cemetery. Visitation hours at the funeral home will be Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Memorials to Jefferson Memorial Hospital Hospice.

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