

Bluffton News-Banner, Wells County, IN

The father of Larry Hoffman of Bluffton, Ralph E. Hoffman, 84, of Berne, died at 9:25 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 at his residence.

Born in Adams County on April 27, 1919 to Noah F. and Daisy Kline Hoffman, he married Evelyn Biberstein on May 5, 1939 in Berne; she died in 1997. He was a farmer and self-employed plasterer and an active member of the Mt. Hope Church of the Nazarene, rural Berne.

In addition to his son in Bluffton, he is survived by two sons, James Hoffman of Big Rapids, Mich., and Bryce D. Hoffman of rural Monroe; two daughters, Luanne Frank of Berne and Donna Roe of Monroe; a brother, Loren Hoffman of Bryant, 17 grandchildren; 32 great grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Gary Hoffman; three brothers, Gene, Paul and Robert Hoffman; three sisters, Naomi Yoder, Dorothy Hedington and Edith McFarland; and one grandson.

Calling hours are today from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home in Berne and Tuesday for one hour prior to the services, which will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Mt. Hope Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. Greg Clark officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Hope Cemetery. Preferred memorials to the Mt. Hope Missions and the Family Hospice of N.E. Indiana.

Contributed by Jim Cox - no date listed