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Howard Lee Burkhart

Decatur - 1938-2002

Howard Lee Burkhart, 64, of Decatur, who worked at tomato factories in Decatur and Geneva, died Thursday, May 16, 2002, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

The Adams County native had also worked at Meshberger Stone Quarry, Decatur Bakery and Co-op Elevators in Adams County. Surviving are his sisters Rosella Steffen of Bluffton, Dorothy Hanni of Roanoke, and his twin, Helen B. Cook of Decatur; brothers Robert of Monroe and Larry of Avilla; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a half brother. Services are 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, with calling one hour before services and also from 1 to 9 p.m. today. Burial will be at Ray Cemetery. Memorials are to Mt. Zion United Brethren in Christ Church.

Information provided by Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, 260-724-9164.

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