

Charles F. Cook

1919 - 2005

Charles F. Cook, 85 of Lakeland, Florida since 1996 lived most of his life in Decatur, passed away on January 23, 2005 at Lakeland Regional Medical Center, Florida. He was the son of Adolph and Dora (Gauck) Cook.

He married Elizabeth "Bette" (Young) on Aug. 30, 1941 and she died on Mar. 26, 1978, then married Georgia (Graziano) on April 12, 1997, she survives.



Surviving are 2 sons: Charles E. (Stephania) Cook, Decatur, IN; Gregory A. (Deborah) Cook, Decatur, IN; 4 daughters: Patricia A. Poinsette, Ft. Wayne, IN; Judith L. (Ron) Baker, Decatur, IN; Carol S. (Roger) Wisley, Noblesville, IN; Margaret A. (Tom) Surgener, Noblesville, IN; 1 step-son: Roger Graziano - Pitt., PA; 1 step-daughter: Donna Racz, Courtland, OH; a brother, Robert Cook, and a sister, Thelma Andrews, both of Decatur, IN and 15 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Preceded him in death was his parents, 1st wife, 1 brother & 3 sisters.

He was a member of the St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Lakeland, FL, former member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Decatur, IN. He was active in the K of C 4th degree and former Grand Knight, VFW and American Legion, Elks, Won 5 gold medals in Bowling at the Senior Olympics, donated 19 gallons of blood to the Red Cross, member of the Sandpiper Golf Club. Served in WW II with the US Army. He retired from the GE plant in Decatur, IN.

Memorial visitation is from 10:00-1:00 Friday, Jan. 28, 2005 at Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home, with a 1:10 pm Prayer Service also on Friday, Jan. 28th at Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home followed by 1:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Decatur, IN. Officiating will be Father Philip DeVolder. Burial will be in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery with grave rites by American Legion Post #43.

Memorials are to St. Mary's Building on our Heritage Campaign or Donors Choice.

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