Frederick W. Kukelhan, 81 years old of Decatur, Indiana, passed away on Monday, October 15, 2012 at his residence.

He was born on Tuesday, June 9, 1931 in Adams County, Indiana the son of the late Fred W. Kukelhan and the late Marie (Schueler) Kukelhan. He married Carol Ann Adam on November 7, 1959 in and she passed away on February 13, 1978.

Frederick served his country in the United States Army as a paratrooper during the Korean War.

He was a member of St. Peter Lutheran Church, Fuelling and was a self-employed dairy farmer, retiring about seven years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Grant (Laura) Kukelhan, Gregg (Allison) Kukelhan, & Jonathan Kukelhan,

all of Decatur; two daughters, Myra (Leroy) Peters & Dian (Mark) Witte, both of Decatur; a brother, Walter (Lorna) Kukelhan of Decatur; four sisters, Emma Lou Stegmann of Ossian; Virginia "Ginny" Hoffman of Van Wert, Ohio; Dorothy (Clarence) Oetting of Fort Wayne; & Alice Bauermeister of Ossian; a sister-in-law, Gladys Kukelhan of Decatur; & a brother-in-law, Eugene Hill of Pleasant Mills. He is also survived by Carol Ann's family including two sisters-in-law, Arlene (Jake) Widenhoefer-Bruick of New Haven & Donna (Eugene) Myers of Ossian; & a brother-in-law, Marty (Lynn) Adam of Ossian. He is survived by thirteen grandchildren; Chase Kukelhan, Kyle Kukelhan, Sarah Kuehnert; Royce Kukelhan, Bryce Kukelhan, Justin Kukelhan, Katelyn Roe, Lance Roe, Chloe Peters, Jared Witte, Heath Witte, Tiffany Peters, & Crystal Madson five great-grandchildren; Bryar Kuehnert, Allie Kuehnert, Scout Kukelhan, Caroline Kukelhan, and Lucas Madson.

Preceding Frederick in death were a son, Guy Kukelhan, a daughter, Julie Kukelhan, two brothers, Elmer (Sally) Kukelhan & Albert Kukelhan, sister, Betty Hill, sister-in-law, Geraldine Smith, and five brothers-in-law; John Smith, Norbert Bauermeister, Howard Hoffman, Walter Stegmann & Eldor Widenhoefer.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, October 18, 2012 in the St. Peter Lutheran Church, Fuelling with Rev. Martin Moehring officiating. Interment will follow in the St. Peter Lutheran Cemetery, Fuelling.

Friends will be received from 9 a.m. until service time on Thursday at the church.

Preferred memorials are to St. Peter Lutheran Church - Fuelling, Worship for Shut-Ins, or St. Peter Immanuel Lutheran School.

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