

Robert E. Gavin Sr., 76 years old of Decatur, Indiana, passed away at 2:43 a.m. on Thursday, December 13, 2012 in the Lutheran Hospital of Indiana located in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Bob was born on Tuesday, September 15, 1936 in Wells County, Indiana the son of the late George Dewey Gavin and the late Edna Mae (Bennett) Gavin. He married Barbara J. Burdug on February 6, 1982 in Decatur, Indiana and she survives.

Bob was a member of the American Legion Post #43; Moose 1311; and V.F. W. all in Decatur. Bob served his country in the United States Army.

Bob had worked for Yost Prestress; Automatic Sprinkler Corp.; and drove truck for ATL. He retired in 2008.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara J. Gavin of Decatur, IN; daughter, Robin (Ray) Prior of Decatur, IN; son, Robert (Julie) Gavin Jr. of Decatur, IN; daughter, Rhonda (Jerry T.) Andrews of Decatur, IN; step-son, Timothy Wolfe of Ft. Wayne, IN; step-daughter, Karen Razo of Decatur, IN; brother, Bill Gavin of Liberty Center, IN; sister, Betty Abenath of Huntington, IN; 7 grandchildren: Joe (Teresa) Fuhrman, Connie Fuhrman, Lindsey (Andrew) Stimpson, Brice Gavin, Katie (Zach) Neuenschwander, Kirstie & Kole Andrews; 5 great-grandchildren: Emily, Andrew, Elizabeth, & Abigail Fuhrman; and Colten Stimpson; 4 step-grandchildren: Brandon, Jenna, Ty, and Jamie Razo.

Preceding Robert in death were 2 sisters, Barbara Gavin, Connie LaFollette; and 1 brother, Jerry Gavin.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, December 17, 2012 in the Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home with Rev. Michael Heinbaugh officiating. Interment will follow in the M.R.E. Cemetery, Berne, Indiana. Military Graveside services will be conducted by American Legion Post #43 Color Guard.

Friends will be received from 12:00 Noon - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, December 16, 2012 in the Zwick and Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur, IN.

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