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GEHRES

Walter Arnold Gehres, 86, of Van Wert, died Wednesday, January 31, 2007, at his resident following a brief illness.

He was born April 20, 1920, the son of the late Walter and Lorena (Giessler) Gehres. He married Helen Lucille (Roop) Gehres, who also preceded him in death.

Mr. Gehres worked at Montgomery Ward in Van Wert for 25 years, retiring in 1982. He was a 1938 graduate of Wren High School. He was a member of First United Methodist Church and Lodge 1197, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, both in Van Wert.

Survivors include two nephews, Dana (Kimberly) Gehres of Adrian, Mich., and Phillip Gehres of Van Wert; a niece, Karen (Walt) Marchlewski of Yorktown, Va.; one sister-in-law, Joan Gehres of Van Wert; seven grandnieces, Diann, Erin, Melinda and Jillian Marchlewski and Meredith, Allison and Hannah Gehres; and a dear friend, Mary Grove.

A brother, Dean Edgar Gehres, also preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Sunday, February 4, at Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory in Van Wert. Burial will be in Decatur Cemetery in Decatur, Ind.

There will be no visitation.

Memorial contributions may be directed to a charity of donor's choice.

Condolences can be e-mailed to agfhc@earthlink.net.