

Bluffton News-Banner, , Wells, Indiana; Friday, Nov. 23, 2007

Raymond L. Hakes, 88, of Bluffton, died Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007 at the VA Hospital in Marion. Born in Decatur on Nov. 4, 1919 to Charles H. and Gladys I. (Chronister) Hakes, he married Violet Pearl Lee on Nov. 30, 1944 in Miami, Fla.; she died March 2, 2007.

Mr. Hakes served for four years in the Army Air Corp during World War II, and retired from the U.S. Air Force after 22 years of service, serving in Korea, the Berlin Airlift and in Vietnam. He was a member of the Union Chapel Church of the Nazarene, the Masonic Lodge F&AM 145, American Legion Post 43 in Decatur and the Decatur VFW Post. He was a past commander of the Bluffton chapter 54, Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include three daughters, Esther Frye, Joyce D. Hastings and Rose M. Colvin, all of Bluffton; two sons, Thomas L. Hakes of Indianapolis and Marion C. Hakes of Franklin; six grandchildren; and one great grandchild. He was preceded in death by a sister, Dorothy Roop, and a brother, Harold Hakes.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton with the Rev. Wayne Steury officiating. Calling hours there are Sunday from noon until 6 p.m..

Burial will be in the Decatur Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the DAV.