

Donald Lee Purvis, Sr.

August 9, 1931 – August 5, 2009

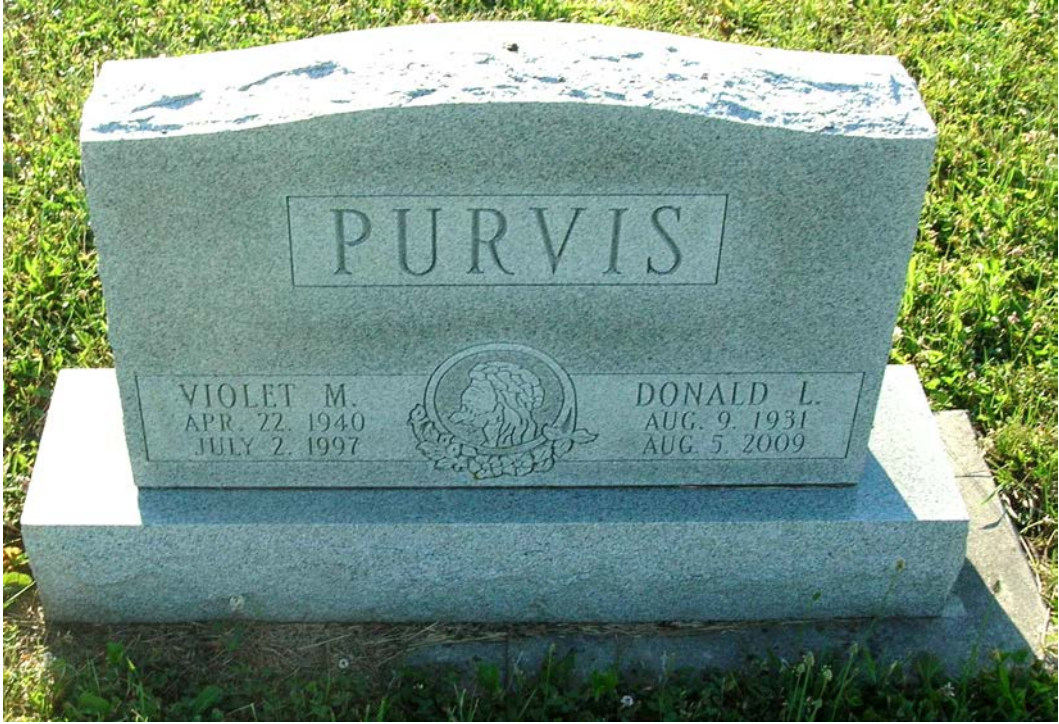


Photo by Jim Cox

Donald L. Purvis, Sr., 77, of LaFontaine, IN, died Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2009, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Purvis retired from Anaconda Wire & Cable and was a member of Liberty Baptist Church, Sweetser. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in the Korean War from 1951 to 1953. He had lived in Converse most of his life.

He was born Aug. 9, 1931, in Marion to Roy and Myrtle Barton Purvis. He married Violet M. Bowsman on Aug. 29, 1960. She preceded him in death on July 2, 1997.

Survivors include four sons, Melvin Bowsman, of Converse; Timothy Joe Purvis, of Columbus; Donald Lee (Elaine) Purvis Jr., of Peru; and Michael (Cheryl) Purvis, of Gas City; two daughters, April (Steven) Adkins and Tina (Dan) Larimore, both of Converse; a sister, Mary (Roger) Nall, of Marion; six grandchildren, Cody Bowsman, Zach Adkins, Aaron Purvis, Aerial Purvis, Doug Larimore and Tony Larimore; three stepgrandchildren, Matt Campbell, Ashley Campbell and Briana Housler; and four great-grandchildren.

Calling is Friday, Aug. 7, 2009, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion. A service will be held at the funeral home on Saturday, Aug.8, 2009, at 10 a.m., with Rev. Terry Bishir officiating. Burial will be at Daugherty Cemetery, Bryant.

Preferred memorials are gifts to Liberty Baptist Church, Sweetser.

Online condolences may be made through www.nswcares.com.

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