



## Charles S. Benson

February 16, 1923 - March 23, 2009

Charles S. Benson, 86 of New Castle, died Monday in his home following a brief illness.

He was born February 16, 1923 in Winchester, a son of the late Floyd and Alma (Martz) Benson.

Charles graduated from Hagerstown High School in 1941 and studied Agriculture at Purdue University. He married Deloris Osborne on April 21, 1946 in New Castle and they enjoyed almost 63 years of marriage. He was a dairy farmer and raised registered Jersey Cattle. He enjoyed showing his Jersey's at the State Fair and 4-H and belonged to the American Jersey Cattle Club. He was a member of the First Christian Church for over 40 years and served as deacon. He was on the Liberty Township Advisory Board and was a board member of the Volunteer Fire Department. He was a member of the New Castle Kiwanis Club. He and his wife enjoyed traveling to many countries across the world.

He is survived by his wife, Deloris (Osborne) Benson; a daughter, Stacey L. Benson Courtney of Mooreland; two grandsons, Sgt. Chad Courtney of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina and Eric (wife: Lesa) Courtney of Springport; two great-grandsons, Matthew and Nicholas Courtney and two step-great-grandchildren, Anna and Jonathan Cook; two brothers, J. Robert (wife: Mary Ann) Benson of Greensfork and Larry (wife: Patsy) Benson of New Castle; two sisters, Mary Ellen (husband: Keith) Smith of Cambridge City and Patricia (Husband: Odell) Guffey of Marion; a brother-in-law, Donald (companion: Phyllis) Osborne of

Muncie; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Ryan Matthew Courtney; a son-in-law, Michael E. Courtney; and a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Pauline and Bill Beasley.

Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Linda McKiernan-Allen and Pastor Keith Kincaid officiating. Burial will follow in Green Hills Memory Gardens.

Friends may call from 4 – 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the First Christian Church with envelopes available at the funeral home. You may send the family a personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

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**Coby Osborne** - March 25, 2009 at 05:01 PM

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“ *Deloris, Stacy & Family You are in my thoughts and prayers. Charles was a very special person and neighbor. I will always remember playing at your house and in the barn. Hold on to all the good memories and never let go. Take care of yourself.*

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**Brenda (Carr) Johnson** - March 25, 2009 at 01:22 PM