



Duane E. Olsen

September 14, 1934 - February 14, 2012

Duane E. Olsen, 77, of New Castle, died Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at Henry County Hospital following a year long courageous battle with cancer. He was born September 14, 1934 in Muncie, a son of the late Edward Albert and Violet Helen (Harter) Olsen.

Duane was a 1953 graduate of Muncie Central High School and was a die hard Bearcat fan. He also attended Ball State University for two years. He served his country in the U.S. Navy. He had been a manager and salesman of several department stores for many years, including SS Kresge, Ayr-way and Lowes. He was a former member of the American Legion and the Lions Club both of New Castle. He enjoyed playing tennis and golf.

He is survived by his children, David E. (wife: Leesa) Olsen, Tara A. Hardwick and Christopher D. (wife: Tina) Olsen all of New Castle and Nancy L. Olsen of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Joshua (wife: Amy) Hardwick, Heather Mote, Kyle (wife: Lauran) Olsen, Lyndsey Olsen (Fiance: Christopher Wilkey) and Cassandra Elvenia; great-grandchildren, Alexis Hardwick, Mason Hardwick and Kira Mote; a sister, Sheila Jane Toney; a sister-in-law, Coleen Olsen and his former spouse, Mary Ann Howard.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, David Olsen.

A time of remembrance for family and friends will be held from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Saturday, February 18, 2012 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with a memorial service to be held at 12:30 p.m.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

Sproles Family Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Duane Olsen.

Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you.*

Jason & Trina - February 17, 2012 at 09:53 PM

JM

“ *Please know that we are keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

Jeff and Kelly Marlatt - February 17, 2012 at 11:15 AM

GL

“ *We our sending our love and prayers to you all, wish we could have come up with Mom. Love you all Gina, Toa & Tai*

Gina Toney Lavatai - February 16, 2012 at 08:03 PM

DL

“ *My sympathy to the family. You all are in my prayers as you go through this loss.*

Donna Lovelady - February 16, 2012 at 03:01 PM

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“ *Very, very sorry. Thoughts and prayers are with the family,*

T. Dwight Sumner - February 15, 2012 at 03:59 PM