



## Ralph Harold Swoveland Sr.

November 18, 1924 - July 23, 2011

Ralph Harold Swoveland Sr., 86, of Mooreland, died Saturday, July 23, 2011 at Stonebrooke Rehabilitation Centre following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born November 18, 1924 in rural Mooreland, the son of the late Lorie and Lena M. (Halstead) Swoveland.

Ralph was a graduate of Daleville High School. He was employed at Warner Gear in Muncie for over 30 years and had also farmed in the Mooreland area most of his life. He raised Black Angus Cattle and was always a hard worker. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII. Ralph enjoyed fishing, traveling with his wife and other couples and went on many Juma Tours trips. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, gardening and putting puzzles together in the winter time.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Doris J. Swoveland; a son, Ralph 'Harold' Swoveland, Jr. of New Castle; three daughters, Carolyn Keesling, Janice Swoveland and Sherrie Lynn (husband: Bob) Eversole all of New Castle; four grandchildren, Audrey (husband: Steve) Hamlin of North Carolina, Heather (husband: Justin) Stevens of Brownsburg, Braden and Austin Eversole of New Castle; two great-grandchildren, Clayton and Clarissa Hamlin and several nieces and nephews.

Including his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Delbert Swoveland and Clarence Swoveland Sr. and two sisters, Doris Peavler and Mary Peavler.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2011 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Rev. Thomas Current officiating assisted by Max James. Burial will follow in Mooreland Cemetery. Military honors will be provided by a contingent from the American Legion and VFW.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mooreland Fire Department with envelopes available at the funeral home. You may send the family a personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

Sproles Family Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Ralph Swoveland.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Doris...I hope you know how sorry I am about your sweet Ralph. He was one of my favorites! From setting his fields on fire...to giving Mark advice on his "farming". He was a wonderful neighbor and a good man. I'll miss knowing he was "right down the road a piece."  
Love, Melinda

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**Melinda Frame Mullens** - July 25, 2011 at 09:43 PM

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“ I was so sorry to hear about Mr. Swoveland's passing. I can remember spending much time out at your house with Carolyn MANY years ago. I know this is a tough time...thinking about all of you!

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**Mary Switzer Calkins** - July 25, 2011 at 01:22 PM