

## James O. Perdue

Sept. 26, 1938 – Nov. 21, 2016



James Perdue

James O. Perdue, 78, Rochester, passed away at 5:20 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 21, 2016, at Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester.

He was born in Rochester on Sept. 26, 1938, the son of Henry and Glenna (Altice) Perdue. On March 15, 1980, he married Joan Jamison Hudson in Claypool. She survives.

Jim started his working career with Wabash County REMC in Wabash and then worked for Carroll County REMC in Delphi. He also had his own business Perdue Electric Heating and Cooling in Delphi. He retired from Midwest Energy in Cassopolis, Mich., and for many years after retirement, he worked at Miami Correctional Facility in Bunker Hill. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force and the Indiana National Guard.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars post. In his spare time, he enjoyed golf and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Perdue, Rochester; son Phillip and wife Melissa Perdue, Norfolk, Va.; daughter Kari Blackley, Indianapolis; stepdaughter Sonya Hudson, Lafayette; grandchildren Tia and Carmen Blackley, Indianapolis; brother Stephen and wife Jane Perdue, Logansport; sisters Donna Tyler, Rochester, Linda Mollencupp, North Manchester, and Glenda and husband Jerry Flory, Tippecanoe; and his canine pal, Sammy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Audrey Hildebrand, Maxine Perdue, and Edna Bitzell; brother Bobby Perdue; and brother-in-law Billy Tyler.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 25, 2016, at Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester, with Dr. Mark Spencer officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Rochester, where military graveside honors will be conducted by the Fulton County Veterans Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association or the American Diabetes Association. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.zimmermanbrosfh.com](http://www.zimmermanbrosfh.com).

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Nov 23, 2016

# Obituary

## Jason 'Mikey' Peterson

Jason "Mikey" Peterson passed away unexpectedly at 11:37 a.m. Sunday, March 25, 2018, at his home in Warsaw. The funny, creative father of two was 37 at the time of his death.



Jason was born Sept. 20, 1980, in Warsaw and had attended Whitko Schools. He worked for KGP Logistics and for Pierceton Welding as a metal fabricator.

Jason was known for his good sense of humor and his fun-loving personality. He enjoyed working on projects with his children, helping them with crafts, and fishing. Equally as creative as he was handy, Jason liked installing and working with various types of lighting; he liked working with neon, LED and other such specialty lighting.

Those who survive with memories to treasure include his wife, Jessica Craft-Peterson, Silver Lake; two daughters, Zoey Peterson, Silver Lake, and Kadence Peterson, Fort Wayne; parents, Larry and Lynne Rose, Akron; brother, Travis Rose, Arizona; sister, Heather Rose, Winona Lake; and maternal grandfather, Thomas Sieron, Arizona.

He was preceded in passing by his paternal grandparents, Jacqueline and Leander Rose Jr; maternal grandmother, Donna Carr; and by two uncles, Randy and Stanley Rose.

Friends and family will join together for viewing from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, March 29, at Titus Funeral Home, 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw. A funeral service celebrating Jason's life will follow, beginning at 7 p.m., with Pastor Terry Bradford, First Freewill Baptist Church of Kosciusko County, officiating.

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Memorials for Jason's final expenses c/o Titus Funeral Home, 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw, IN 46580.

Times Union  
March 28, 2018

### Richard L. Peterson

MENTONE - Richard L. Peterson, 76, rural Rochester, died at 12:15 a.m. April 3, 2016, at his residence.

He was born July 27, 1939, in Fulton County, to Harley and Bertha Beard Wynn and was adopted at an early age by Joe and Mary Isabelle Drudge Peterson. On April 8, 1962, in Mentone, he married Jerilyn L. Craig, who survives in Rochester.

In previous years, he had worked for Craig Welding. He worked in law enforcement in Fulton County as a deputy, as well as in Akron and Mentone. He retired from the Indiana State Highway Department.

He was 1959 graduate of Talma High School. He served his country in the Army National Guard. He was a member of the Riverview Community Church and a lifetime member of the NRA. He also was a member of the Mentone Masonic Lodge where he had been a 50 year member, FOP, and a founding member of the Blacktop Cruisers Car Club. He and his wife enjoyed wintering in Wickenburg, Ariz. He was a collector of all farm toys, model trains and guns. He also was a fan of Elvis and the Green Bay Packers and was a Ford and John Deere man.

Also surviving are a daughter, Diane (and spouse Rod) Eaton, Rochester; a son, Chris (and spouse Dawn) Peterson, Mentone; seven grandchildren: Jared, Courtney, Missy, Tyler, Trenton, Trey and Taylor; five great-grandchildren: Ryker, Jarhett, Owen, Brantlee and Ellie; a brother, Marvin (and spouse Nyla) Snyder, Argos; a half brother, Paul (and spouse Chris) Prilaman, Logansport; and a half sister, Mae Swigart, Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents; his biological parents; a son, Todd Peterson; a sister, Sonja Gerig; seven half brothers: Ernest, Lowell, Alfred, Paul, and Eli Wynn, Clide Zeiger and Donnie Prilaman; and two half sisters, Ruth Roach and Delma Maudlin.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at King Memorial Home, Mentone, with Pastor Rodney Ruberg officiating. Burial will be in Sycamore Cemetery, Mentone.

Calling is from 3 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

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Memorials to American Cancer Society or Riverview Community Church or a charity of your choice.

Condolences via [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com)



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# Obituaries

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Survivors include his wife, Jerily Peterson; a daughter, Diane and husband Rod Eaton, Rochester; a son, Chris and wife Dawn Peterson, Mentone; seven grandchildren, Jared, Courtney, Missy, Tyler, Trenton, Trey and Taylor; five great-grandchildren, Ryker, Jarhett, Owen, Brantlee and Ellie; a brother, Marvin and wife Nyla Snyder, Argos; a half brother, Paul and wife Chris Prilaman, Logansport; and a half sister, Mae Swigart, Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Mary Isabelle Peterson; biological parents, Harley and Bertha Wynn; a son, Todd Peterson; a sister, Sonja Gerig; half brothers Ernest, Lowell, Alfred, Paul, and Eli Wynn, Clide Zeiger

and Donnie Prilaman; and half sisters Ruth Roach and Delma Maudlin.

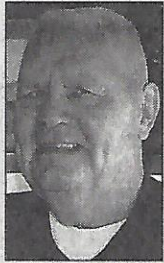
Service is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 7, 2016, at King Memorial Home, 101 N. Tucker St., Mentone with Pastor Rodney Ruberg officiating. Visitation is from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, 2016, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Sycamore Cemetery, Mentone.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society, Riverview Community Church or the charity of a person's choice.

Family and friends can share a memory or send an online condolence at: [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

## Richard L. Peterson.

July 27, 1939 - April 3, 2016



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On April 8, 1962, in Mentone, he married Jerilyn L. Craig. She survives.

Rochester Sentinel April 5, 2016

# Obituary

## Donald Edwin Pfeiffer

March 7, 1920 - Jan. 21, 2018



Mr. Donald Edwin Pfeiffer, 97 years, 10 months, and 14 days, departed this life on Jan. 21, 2018, at Life Care Center of Rochester. He set his sights on his new Heavenly home, rejoicing to be reunited with his beloved Donabelle and his family that had gone before.

On March 7, 1920, in Nappanee, Donald Edwin Pfeiffer was born. He was a treasured son of Clarence Edwin and Myrtle Hanes Morwiser Pfeiffer. As one of eight siblings growing up, he shared his childhood with five sisters and two brothers.

Don Pfeiffer and Donabelle Eizinger were classmates when they attended Tippecanoe High School. It was during their sophomore year that they first became acquainted. The summer prior to their senior year, a mutual admiration became apparent. Don served his class as president during his junior and senior years. With great pride, they graduated together with their class in May of 1938. They continued to date while she attended Warren Beauty School in Fort Wayne, graduated and apprenticed in Elkhart and Warsaw.

Prior to church, on Sunday, Dec. 3, 1939, at 9:30 a.m. in Tippecanoe, in the home of their minister Pastor John Burgess was the setting where Don married his best friend and the love of his life, Donabelle. They spent the day traveling and sightseeing in Chicago then returned home to Bourbon that evening. The happy couple honeymooned in Niagara Falls for their second year anniversary. This was just prior to the Japanese bomb-

ing of Pearl Harbor and the beginning of World War II. Their union of nearly 74 years, produced a beautiful daughter and two handsome sons. Over the years, three more generations were added to the family tree.

For nearly 66 years, the Pfeiffers lived in Newcastle Township and the Rochester community. The Pfeiffer family farm encompassed 1,000 acres planted in corn, soybeans, wheat, oats and peas. There were up to 75 registered Holsteins to milk, seven or eight Black Angus, a few pigs and a variety of geese and chickens. One year they enjoyed the company of some 4-H lambs. In 1960, the milking operation ceased so the primary focus became the grain operations. Each year the family put out a huge garden that consisted of vegetables, flowers and strawberries. The autumn brought on a bountiful harvest with Donabelle heading the freezing and canning department, making jams and jellies and preserving the produce for winter's use. They also shared with many special friends.

A man of great faith, Don had been a devoted member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church since 1948. He held multiple positions of leadership through the years including nine years as Sunday school superintendent, deacon for six years and trustee for 12 years, and later returning to many of these positions to help guide the church. He was past president of the Men's Fellowship of the Logansport District of the American Baptist Church. Don was always there to contribute in sweat via his tractor, mower and bucket. He also assumed additional farming to help pay for some of the church's needs over the years.

Making many contributions to his community, Don was an REMC board member from 1964-1994 and past president of Newcastle Farm

Bureau, 1948-1956, and the Farmer's Institute. He later served as secretary/treasurer for the Newcastle Farm Bureau. He served the Fulton County 4-H members as president for a decade, and during his tenure, two new buildings were built. Don was also on the Farm Bureau Co-op Board and Pure Bred Livestock Board and a charter member of the Talma Lions Club.

The Pfeiffers were wonderful, ardent community supporters through the decades. From 1944-1963, Don was court-side of the Talma Tigers basketball team as the scorekeeper and statistician. They were always there for their children's, grandchildren's and the great-grand's athletic events, music programs and concerts. Don and Donabelle were avid Zebra season ticket holders. Attending community dinners and visiting the 4-H fair were events they enjoyed. In recent years, they could be seen all about town dining out.

As the patriarch of the Pfeiffer family, Don was always there to share his love and wisdom and give advice, supporting the five generations he oversaw with his loving wife Donabelle. Together this dynamic duo, the true epitome of a gentleman and lady, set the best example for family, friends and acquaintances to follow: a fairy tale life of nearly 74 years of love, dedication and devotion, sticking together as a team through the good times and some tough times too. They always had smiles and exhibited positive attitudes as they persevered through each day. This amazing couple was admired by all who had the luck to become acquainted with them.

Left to cherish the memory of Don are a daughter, Randy Hartman and husband Reg, Warsaw; two sons, Wally Pfeiffer and wife Terri, and Mike Pfeiffer and wife Maureen, all of Rochester; and eight grandchil-

dren, Ed Pfeiffer and wife Wendy, Bill Pfeiffer and wife Staci, and Jody McCall and husband Matt, all of Rochester, Tammy Davis and husband Ray, and Chad Hartman and wife Heather, all of Warsaw, Cary Hartman and wife Michelle, Akron, Christina Sears and husband Jeff, Cicero, and Alison Pfeiffer, Rochester. Don was blessed with 15 great-grandchildren; two stepgreat-granddaughters; two great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Betty DeMein, North Manchester, and Joan Tharp and husband Bob, South Bend; two sisters-in-law, Nanette Eizinger, Rochester, and Marge Pfeiffer, Homosassa, Fla.; brother-in-law Keith Miller, Elkhart; and several nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Myrtle Pfeiffer; beloved wife Donabelle on Aug. 5, 2013; a great-grandson; three sisters, Marilyn Miller, Doris Grass and Helen DeMein; two brothers, Gene Pfeiffer and Lamar Pfeiffer; sister-in-law Jean Pfeiffer; and brother-in-law Fred DeMein.

A celebration of the life of Mr. Donald E. Pfeiffer will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 26, 2018, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Phil Pratt will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018, and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Don will be laid to eternal rest next to Donabelle in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Bethlehem Baptist Church, 3516 N. 650 E., Rochester, IN 46975, or the charity of the donor's choice. Online expressions of sympathy may be made to his family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

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Times Union  
June 24/25, 2017

## John Richard Pfeiffer

John Richard Pfeiffer, 83, passed away at 3:20 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, in the Nappanee home which he'd built by hand.



John was born Jan. 6, 1934, in Nappanee, to William C. and Nellie Faulkner Pfeiffer.

Lucky enough to find love twice in his life, John was married to Betty Munson on May 10, 1958. They were married for almost 10 years until her passing on Jan. 5, 1968. John married Linda Hawkins on May 21, 1971, in Elkhart. They would share 31 years together until her passing on Nov. 4, 2002.

Although formerly of Warsaw, John spent most of his life in the Nappanee area and had attended Nappanee school. He was a self-employed carpenter, specializing in building homes, but he was known as a jack of all trades.

John was a faithful member of United Pentecostal Church (now Community Life Center), Warsaw, and was integral in building the church and caring for the property. He loved his church and was a man of great faith. He enjoyed being outdoors and liked to garden.

He will be greatly missed by his two daughters, Tamm (Ken) Riley, Nappanee, and Trisha (George) Talley, Ionia, Mich.; son, Eric (Amy) Pfeiffer, Claypool; five grandchildren: Megan and Jonathan Riley, both of Nappanee; and Josh, Scott and Brandon Talley, all of Ionia, Mich.; and a brother, Glenn Gordon "Gordy" Pfeiffer, Boyce, La. He is also survived by his "special girl," Autumn Cripe, whom he loved like a granddaughter.

In addition to his first wife, Betty, who preceded John in passing on Jan. 5, 1968, and his wife, Linda, on Nov. 4, 2002, going before him are three brothers: Henry Pfeiffer, Robert Pfeiffer and Wade Pfeiffer; and three sisters: Rachel Bollenbacher, Hilda Smith and Mary Hall.

Friends may gather for a time of sharing from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Monday, June 26, in Titus Funeral Home, 2000 N. Sheridan St., Warsaw.

A funeral service celebrating John's life will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 27, at Community Life Center, 825 N. Harrison St., Warsaw; a visitation will take place for one hour prior. Dr. Dan Cox of Community Life Center will officiate the service. Burial will follow in Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

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Memorials to Community Life Center - Building Fund, 825 N. Harrison St., Warsaw, IN 46580.

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**Jeanelle L. Conaway Poe**

MENTONE - Jeanelle L. Conaway Poe, 33, Mentone, died March 12, 2016, at her residence.

She was born April 14, 1982, in Caro, Mich., to Steven and Barbara Creason Conaway.

Private family services will be at a later date.

Arrangements are entrusted to King Memorial Home, Mentone.

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Memorials to her family.

Condolences via [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com)

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p.m. Monday at his residence.

Arrangements are pending at Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester.

### **Jeanette L. Poe**

Jeanette L. Poe, 33, Mentone, died Saturday at her home.

Survivors include her parents, Steven and Barbara Conaway, Mentone; daughters Karalei and Bailey Poe; son Harley; sister Julie Sanders, Vassar, Mich.; brother Steven Conaway, Mentone.

Private family service will be at a later date. King Memorial Home, Mentone, is handling arrangements.

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