

Jerry Devon Dawalt

Jerry Devon Dawalt, of Warsaw, passed away surrounded by his family on Thursday, July 15, 2021, at Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne at the age of 84.



He was born on March 7, 1937, in Plymouth. Jerry was one of four children born to Madeline Marie Pfeiffer



Dawalt and Murl Albert Dawalt. He married the love of his life, Judy Kay Sparrow, on Nov. 28, 1970. Together, they raised five daughters, shared the joy of becoming grandparents and celebrating so many lifetime events throughout their 34 years of marriage together before she passed away on Dec. 14, 2004.

Jerry was a 1955 graduate of Etna Green High School in Etna Green. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and proudly served from Aug. 17, 1960, until his honorable discharge on Aug. 16, 1962. He was a reservist for an additional four years until his termination date of reserve obligation of Aug. 16, 1966.

Jerry was a jack of all trades and was never afraid of a hard day's work. He had a keen mind, great hands and had a knack for detail working as a diesel mechanic. He dedicated 21 years working at J & M Gravel in Etna Green.

Jerry was a 56-year member of the American Legion Post 424 in Bourbon, where he was honored to serve as the commander from 1970-1972, as well as from 2008-2014. He had the utmost respect for and dearly loved spending time with his fellow Legion members. For many years, he volunteered his time performing graveside military rites to honor a fellow fallen soldier. He was also a member of the 40 & 8 of Marshall County.

Jerry never knew a stranger and loved chewing the fat with whomever was sitting next to him. He loved being outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing and gardening. Jerry loved to get outside to search for his beloved mushrooms and usually came back home with an arm full. He always had a twinkle in his eye, a mischievous smile, always willing to lend a helping hand and he truly loved making others happy. Jerry especially loved his family and grandchildren. His heart was big enough to love everyone and his arms gave the strongest and most comforting hugs that will be forever missed.

He will be lovingly remembered by his four daughters: Sandra (Ken) Kidder, Fort Wayne; Dara Howard, Warsaw; Angela (Doug) Reed, Oswego; and Jody Yeazel, Syracuse. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren: Devin, Deanna, Deacon, Adam, Andrea, Alex, Laine, Bruce, James, Alexis and Tara; five great-grandchildren; two sisters: Mary Ann (Stephen) Stine, Etna Green; Peggy (Ruben) Conley, Etna Green; and his brother, Carl (Donna) Dawalt, Enon, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Judy Dawalt; infant sister, Marlene; daughter, Kelly Jefferson, in 2012; and his son-in-law, Brent Howard, in 2018.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20 at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, 225 Argonne Road, Warsaw. Jerry's life will be celebrated immediately following visitation at 7 p.m. and officiated by Pastor Jamy Gregory. Military rites will be conducted by active members of the Army Honor Guard and members of the American Legion Post 424 of Bourbon. Jerry will be laid to rest next to his wife Judy at a later date at Etna Green Cemetery, Etna Green.

Memorial donations may be directed to go toward his funeral expenses at Redpath-Fruth Funeral Home, 225 Argonne Road, Warsaw, IN 46580 and would be appreciated by the family.

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Donabelle Hoffman

April 13, 1922 - July 19, 2021

Donabelle Jean Hoffman, 99, of Akron, passed at 3:48 a.m., Monday, July 19, 2021, at Timbercrest Health Care of North Manchester.

Donabelle was born on April 13, 1922, in Nappanee, to the late Paul and Alma (Buss) Sheets. She was married on April 13, 1942, in Nappanee, to E. Wayne Hoffman, who passed on March 18, 2008.

Donabelle was a homemaker and proudly raised her family. She also worked in earlier years for Dan Leininger and Sons until the store closed. She was a longtime member of the Silver Creek Church of God. She had been a seamstress, doing all kinds of alterations and making three bridal gowns. She was honored in



2018 as the Akron 4th of July parade marshal for being Akron's oldest living resident. She and her husband enjoyed camping and they spent 20 years together at Barr Lake.

She is survived by her two daughters, Sharon Hartz, Culver, and Connie and husband Dennis Helvey, South Whitley; six grandchildren, Jeff Hartz, Troy Hartz, Todd Helvey, Talisha Herendeen, Trina Semler and Trista Brubaker; 12 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Donabelle was preceded in death by her parents, husband,

great-granddaughter Alecia Dawn Brubaker, son-in-law Hugh Hartz, brother Max Sheets, and an infant sister.

The funeral service will be at 1 p.m., Friday, July 23, 2021, at Silver Creek Church of God, Silver Lake, with Pastor Thomas Craig officiating.

The interment will be in the Silver Creek Cemetery, Silver Lake, next to her husband.

Visitation will be 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Friday, July 23, 2021, at Silver Creek Church of God.

Memorial contributions can be made to Silver Creek Church of God or to Heart to Heart Hospice.

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*Spochester Sentinel
July 21, 2021*

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Donabelle was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a great-granddaughter, Alea Dawn Brubaker; son-in-law, Hugh Hartz; brother, Max Sheets; and an infant sister. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, July 23 at Silver Creek Church of God, Silver Lake.

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Nancy E. Huffer

Nancy E. Huffer, age 68, and a long-time resident of Warsaw, passed away quietly in the care of her family at home on Saturday, July 10, 2021.

Born on Aug. 27, 1952, in Crawfordsville, Nancy was the daughter of Russell Clouser and the late Martha Cord Clouser-Jackson. She spent her formative years on the family farm in nearby New Market and graduated from high school there before attending Purdue University. As a teen, she worked as a car hop and later went on to earn licensure as a paramedic; she was actively working until only recently.



Professionally, Nancy cared for thousands of members of the community during her 40-plus year career in healthcare. Many may remember Nancy from the YMCA where she taught swim lessons for many years, from Kosciusko Community Hospital where she worked in respiratory therapy or from Northern Lakes Medical Associates where she worked in the office of several doctors, including Dr. Coates, Haase and Johnson. She also worked on the ambulance for more than three decades and was a founding-member of Multi-Township EMS.

Nancy never forgot her farming roots and enjoyed both yardwork and gardening. She loved animals and plants of all kinds and especially loved sweets, mainly Red Hots and Butterscotch. She is remembered as caring but feisty, never afraid to give her opinion or tell you how she felt and always stood up for what she believed, no matter the consequences.

On July 17, 1974, Nancy was married to James "Jim" Huffer. The pair shared more than 20 years together before his passing on July 10, 1995 - 26 years to the date of her passing. Those who survive include their three sons: Jacob Huffer, of Warsaw; Whitt Huffer, of Warsaw; and Wyatt (Molly Reynolds) Huffer, of Etna Green; three grandchildren: Kennedy, Miles and Titus; and a great-grandson, Emery. Also surviving are father, Russell Clouser, of California; brother, Ron Clouser, of California; and sisters: Janice Clouser Nesmith, of California; Kim Jackson, of Maine; and Judy Brown, of Warsaw.

A Life Celebration® is planned with Titus Funeral Home of 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw, where friends may gather on Thursday, July 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. Beginning at 7 p.m., Envoy Ken Locke will officiate Nancy's funeral service.

Those wishing to express sympathy may consider making a gift to Riley Children's Hospital Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200 Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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Shayne Marco Thomas

Shayne Marco Thomas, 43, of Warsaw, passed away on Friday, July 9, 2021, at his home.

He was born on April 20, 1978, in Sturgis, Mich., to Rodney W. and Patricia Ann Taylor Thomas.

He grew up in Michigan, graduated from Rockford High School in Rockford, Mich., and lived a brief time in Florida before moving to the Warsaw area in 2007. He was formerly employed at Domino's Pizza and the Marathon Station, both in Warsaw.

He attended the Warsaw Community Church and A.A. in Warsaw. He loved people, music, fishing, soccer, baseball and old cars.

He is survived by three children: Madelynn, Wyatt and Valerie Thomas, all of Havelock, N.C.; mother, Patty Thomas, of Mendon, Mich.; father and stepmother: Rod and Marilyn Thomas, of Elkhart; two sisters: Shandel Hill, of Elkhart; and Shayla (Jeremy Erne) Bridgewater, of Etna Green; brother, Shaun (Arika Hall), of Syracuse; half sister, Kristi (Michael) McCaig, of East Jordan, Mich.; half brother, Robert (Lynn) Thomas, of East Jordan, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Robert and Sally Ann Taylor and Robert and Ruby Thomas.

Cremation will take place at Cremation Services of Kosciusko County, 4356 N. Ind. 15, Warsaw. A Celebration of Life Service will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 24 at the Center Lake Pavilion, 119 E. Canal St., Warsaw.



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Lois Ann Warren

Lois Ann Warren, age 92, of Warsaw, and previously a longtime resident of Silver Lake, passed away into the loving presence of her Savior and many waiting family members on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 7:30 a.m.

Born in South Bend on April 14, 1929, Lois was one of four children. Her siblings, Arlinna Went, Ernest Dean Williams and Reita Fuson, all preceded her in passing, as did her parents, Phillip Ernest Williams and Ethel Viola Moore Williams Martin.

Lois had a servant's heart and cared deeply for others. She was also independent, strong and occasionally stubborn. She rarely knew a stranger and was incredible at remembering names, taking a genuine interest in each person she met. She was sure to recognize the birthdays of those she loved most, making their cards by hand for many years. She was also an accomplished seamstress and quilter who loved to make receiving blankets which she often donated. Most of all, she loved the Lord and her family.

Lois was married to Roger V. Warren on April 14, 1960. The pair shared nearly 42 years together before his passing in 2002. Those who survive with memories to cherish include her son, Barry Zimmerman, of Enon, Ohio; five daughters: Carla (James) Hatfield, of Greenback, Tenn.; Julie (Seth) Mikel, of Etna Green; Kathy (Mark) Fisher, of Cleveland, Tenn.; Rebecca (Frank) Meredith, of Silver Lake; and Ramona (Tom) Engelberth, of Edgerton, Ohio; and their families including 12 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are her stepchildren: Dick (Pat) Warren and Roberta (Bob) Gregory; seven stepgrandchildren and their families.

A Life Celebration® is planned with Titus Funeral Home of 2000 E. Sheridan St., Warsaw, where friends may gather on Friday, July 16. Lois' funeral service begins at 11 a.m. while gathering begins at 9:30 a.m. Burial will follow in Graceland Cemetery, Claypool. Officiating the services is Ken Sistrunk, Pastor of North Manchester Missionary Church, where Lois attended for many years.

Memorial gifts may be directed to Shriners Hospital for Children - Chicago, P.O. Box 863765, Orlando, FL 32886; or to Riley Hospital Children's Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200 Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Written condolences may be left for the family at www.TitusFuneralHome.com.



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