



Jan. 7, 1942

Nov. 27, 2012

John Henry “Jack” Walter, 70, of Delphos and formerly of Wapakoneta, died at 8:07 a.m. Tuesday at Vancrest Healthcare Center in Delphos, where he had been a resident for 7 years. He was born Jan. 7, 1942, in Wapakoneta to William and Florence (Hemmert) Walter, who preceded him in death.

On May 19, 1990, he married Clara Balster Brown, who survives in Delphos.

Also surviving is a daughter, Connie Dear of St. Marys; a son, James Walter of Lima; a son-in-law, Alvie Herzog of St. Marys; grandchildren, Justin Lee and Shannon and Corey Herzog of St. Marys; stepchildren, Linda (David) Seffernick of Wapakoneta and Scott (Pamela) Brown and Kevin Brown of Spencerville; stepgrandchildren, John and Steve Brown, Michael and Kaitlin Seffernick and Joe Anderson and Jordan Brown; a brother, Paul Walter of Wapakoneta; a sister, Janet (Norm) Klein of Cleveland; a brother-in-law, Jerry (Joan) Sturwold of Parish, Fla.; sisters-in-law, Ruth Walter of Piqua, Ina Walter of Wapakoneta and Alice Balster and Esther (James) Moeller of Springfield and Mary (Conrad) Philipot of Russia; brothers-in-law, Walter (Marilyn) Balster of Dayton and Larry (Pat) Balster of St. Henry; and several nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Mary Herzog; a son-in-law, Bill Dear; brothers, Richard and William Walter; sisters, Rita Sturwold, Marilyn (Jake) Staats and infant Florence Walter; and brother-in-law, Richard Balster.

Mr. Walter attended St. Joseph School in Wapakoneta and served in the U.S. Army from 1960-62. He spent his life as a truck driver. He enjoyed dancing, playing cards and bingo and fishing and hunting trips. He was a lifemember of the Bowersock Bros. VFW Post 6772 and a member of the Harry J. Reynolds American Legion Post 191, both in Spencerville. At the VFW, he served as a Junior Vice and on the Color Guard. He was a devoted husband and grandfather and “Special” to his stepchildren and grandchildren. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, the Rev. Chris Bohnsack officiating. Burial will follow in Spencerville Cemetery, with military rites by the Spencerville Veterans.

Friends may call from 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at Thomas E. Bayliff Funeral Home, where a parish wake will begin at 7:30 p.m.