

July 29, 1933-April 29, 2013

Harold Eugene Foust Sr., age 79 of Kalida, died at 8:20 a.m. Monday at his residence.

He was born July 29, 1933, in Allen County to Frank and Helen Stires Foust, who preceded him in death.

He married Janet Hardesty, who is deceased. He later married Eileen Wallen Hawk, who survives in Kalida.

He is also survived by three sons, John (Carla) Foust of Lima, Harold Todd (Deanita) Foust Jr. of Cridersville and Travis Foust of Wapakoneta; two daughters, Sara Jane (Ray) Crump of Maplewood and Melissa "Missy" (John) Hageman of Ottawa; grandchildren Nayleen and Jake Hageman, Blaze, Zack, Meagan and Chloe Foust, Melissa Browning, Allen (Stacey) Hightower, Elizabeth (Shuan) Gillum, Donald Atkins, Joe Way, Jordan Meckstroth and Tristan Miller; great-grandchildren Austin Hightower, Michayla Browning, Abby, Libby, Ethan Gillum and Katusha Way; a brother, Earl Allen (Marilyn) Foust of Lima; and a sister, Frances (Preston) Long of Michigan.

He was also preceded in death by two sons, Kevin Foust and Jeff Foust; twin sisters, Betty Ann Robbins and Betty Jo Blymyer.

Mr. Foust had worked at Sioux Bee Honey for seven years, and retired after 29 years with Sprint formerly United Telephone Company, Lima. He graduated from Gomer in 1951. He was a member of the Eagles Aerie 370 and the Ohio American Legion 0888.

He loved to fish and watch racing at Limaland, Eldora, and anywhere else a race would be held. He was an avid bowler and liked watching wrestling matches and sports events. Family was very important to him and he adored all his grandchildren.

Funeral services will begin 8 p.m. on Thursday at Bayliff & Son Funeral Home, Cridersville, the Rev. Ed Wallen, brother-in-law, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4-8 p.m. today and from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

The family requests that Ohio State attire be worn on Wednesday in honor of Harold; and Thursday Cleveland Indians or sports apparel be worn.

Condolences may be shared at www.BayliffAndSon.com