Feb. 27, 1930
Oct. 2, 2012

Thomas E. Deffenbaugh, 82, of Delphos, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at his residence.
He was born Feb. 27, 1930, in Delphos to William and Agnes (Laudick) Deffenbaugh, who preceded him in death.
He first married Joan “Pete” Young, who died on July 3, 1975. He then married Mary Ellen Mueller Hemker, who survives in Delphos.
Other survivors include a son, Kurt Deffenbaugh of Fort Wayne; two stepchildren, Karen Hemker of Delphos and Dr. Kevin (Dr. Maria) Hemker, Ph.D. of Baltimore; a sister, Jane Beckman of Delphos; and six grandchildren, Daniel Warnement II, Brandon Warnement, James and Michael Hemker and Emma and Annie Deffenbaugh.
He was also preceded in death by three sisters, Mary Showalter, Helen Shenk and Dorothy Deffenbaugh; and four brothers, William, John, Jim and Bob Deffenbaugh.
Mr. Deffenbaugh was an accountant and a U.S. Navy veteran. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and the Delphos Eagles Lodge. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed crossword puzzles.
Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, the Rev. Chris Bohnsack officiating. Burial will be in St. John’s Cemetery, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the Delphos Veterans Council.
Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Friday at Harter and Schier Funeral Home, where a parish wake will begin at 7:30 p.m.
Preferred memorials are to St. John’s Parish Foundation.