



Larry F. Wells

February 4, 1936 - June 22, 2010

Larry F. Wells, age 74, of Huntington, died at 7:41 p.m. Tuesday (June 22, 2010) at his home.

Larry was born February 4, 1936, the son of Russell R. and Helen B. (Welker) Wells, in Dallas Township. He graduated from Lancaster High School in 1954 and went on to graduate from the Miller's College School of Real Estate in 1964, the Reppert School of Auctioneering in 1966, and the Graduate Realtors Institute in 1971. Larry earned the rank of Colonel Auctioneer through extensive education in auctioneering. On December 16, 1977, Larry married Peggy E. Rock in Huntington and she survives.

Larry has been the owner of the Larry F. Wells Realtors and Auctioneers since 1963, retiring and selling the business in January 2008. He was appointed to the Indiana Real Estate Commission by the Governor, was instructor of Fundamentals of Real Estate at Huntington College, and served on the Education Committee for the State of Indiana. He was also the State Director for Indiana Association of Realtors, Past President of the Huntington Area Association of Realtors, Past President of Marion Area Board of Realtors, District 5 Vice President (Indiana Association of Realtors) 1989-1991, and RPAC Trustee (Indiana Association of Realtors). Larry was awarded the "Personalities of the West and Mid-west", 1972; the "Realtor of the Year" of the Huntington Area Association of Realtors, 1973; the "Realtors of the Year"

of the Marion Area Board of Realtors, 1984; the “Who’s Who of America Executives and Professionals” 1995-1996; and the “Dick Snyder Service Award” (Indiana Association of Realtors). He was a member of the Mount Etna United Methodist Church and a 50 year member of the Mt. Etna Masonic Lodge #333 F & AM. Larry had a bigger-than-life personality, was a joker and always quick with a witty comment. He enjoyed a successful career selling real estate and owning his own company. Being a long-time auctioneer was a highlight of Larry’s career, which allowed him to really connect with people in his community. Larry never met a stranger, and will be remembered for his love of travel and his love for family and friends.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years – Peggy E. Wells of Huntington; four daughters – Sandra (Jeffery) Holmes of Fort Wayne, Jana (Mike) Esch of Columbia, Kentucky, Julie (Ronald) Mearing of Andrews, and Angie (John) Rogers of South Bend, Indiana; two sisters – Doris (Roger) Thompson of Huntington, and Lois Drake of Plymouth, Indiana; seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, and one son, Russell C. Wells.

Visitation will be 2-8 p.m. Friday (June 25, 2010) at the Bailey-Love Mortuary. The funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday (June 26, 2010) with a visitation one hour prior at the Bailey-Love Mortuary. Pastor Tony Johnson will officiate. Burial will be in the Mount Etna Cemetery, Mount Etna.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mount Etna United Methodist Church or American Diabetes Association, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Etna Cemetery

5515-5583 W. 600 S.
Warren, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
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Visitation

JUN **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry F. Wells



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - June 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Larry ~ I am so sorry that I missed your funeral. I had no idea you had left this earth. I will deeply miss you. Working for you all those years were some of the best years of my life. I always tell people that it was my best job ever (except for the pay! LOL) You were like a father to me. I loved all of your funny stories! I grew up going to your auctions, and I always loved how you interacted with the crowd. You made everyone around you smile. God Bless you Larry.

Peggy~ I have thought of you both often. I know this is a year late, but you both will always be in my heart.

Love and Blessings,

LouAnn Monts

LouAnn Monts - June 28, 2011 at 02:47 PM



“ Peggy - I only knew you and Larry from working with you on real estate ads and also going to your auctions. I always had the utmost respect for Larry - he always had a sparkle in his eye and a wonderful sense of humor. And he was an entertaining auctioneer! I was so sad to read that he passed. My deepest sympathy to you and your family.
Cindy Barton

Cindy Barton - July 09, 2010 at 08:19 AM



“ Peggy and Family - Our heartfelt sympathy to you and your loved ones during this difficult time. Larry was a great man; Jan and I had the utmost respect for him as a businessman and member of the Huntington community. In all of our business transactions with his firm, he was always helpful and professional. We were very blessed to know him. May your good memories help sustain you at this time.
Sincerely, Jan and Joe Wall - Bowling Green, KY

Joseph Wall - June 25, 2010 at 06:46 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about Larry. We have great memories of him when my mom (Judy Rowe) worked for him. I really enjoyed the times I helped with auctions many years ago. I still remember the time that my wife and myself brought our children over to fish in the pond at your home. He will be truly missed. Our prayers are with you and his family.

Steve and Shari McLain

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steve mclain - June 24, 2010 at 05:19 PM



David
Metz

“ *Jana, Peggy and family. My deepest condolences. Larry was a good friend and mentor. I will always be appreciative for his assistance with me when I began my real estate career. I learned much from Larry and will always remember his support both professionally and personally. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Dave Metz

David Metz - June 24, 2010 at 09:34 AM