



Lester L. Keefer

September 26, 1933 - April 1, 2009

Lester L. Keefer, age 75, Roanoke, died at 10:48 a.m. Wednesday (April 1, 2009) at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Les retired from Brooks Construction in 1997, working as a member of the Local Operating Engineer #103 Fort Wayne as a heavy equipment operator. Les was a 1951 graduate of Andrews High School and a veteran of the United States Navy serving on the USS Yorktown. Les was also a member the Huntington Historical Society.

Les was born in Peru on September 26, 1933 to Elmer Hampton and Helen Elizabeth (Mote) Keefer. He married B. Joan Barnt on October 1, 1954 in Huntington.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years – B. Joan Keefer of Roanoke; one son – Lee “Buster” (Jeanette Roman) Keefer, Jr. of Fort Wayne; one daughter – Lori (Curtis) VanOver of Huntington; two brothers – Philip Keefer of Sevierville, TN and Harold “ Bud” Keefer of Okeechobee, FL; one sister – Katherine (Jim) Covey of Huntington; five grandchildren – Jason Keefer, Brad Keefer, and Tyler Keefer all of Fort Wayne, and Sarah Keefer and Jerin Clements, Jr. both of Huntington. He was preceded in death by one brother – Raymond “Whitey” Keefer.

Celebration of Life visitation will be from 1 – 3 p.m. Saturday (April 4, 2009) at Bailey-Love Mortuary. Private graveside services will be held at Andrews Riverside Cemetery, Andrews. The V.F.W. #2689 will be performing military rites.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Huntington City/Township Public Library Indiana Room or Roanoke First Responders in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

Tribute Wall



“ *Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Lester L. Keefer*



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - April 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Daddy, My Inspiration, My Support and My Wisdon! My love Forever*

Lori VanOver - July 14, 2010 at 01:16 PM

*Hard to believe 16 years ago I lost my hero , my mentor
My heart hurts everyday missing you and missing out construction talks
Love you Dad*

Lee Keefer - March 31, 2025 at 08:44 PM