



## Robert D. Whitesell

November 15, 2020

Robert D. Whitesell, 88, of Andrews, IN passed away at 3:10 pm Sunday, November 15, 2020 at his Residence.

Robert was born on May 19, 1932 in Huntington, IN the son of Cecil Whitesell and Athena Belle (Snowden) Whitesell. He was a 1950 Graduate of Andrews High School and earned his Bachelors Degree from Indiana Business College. He married Ruth Ann (Grindahl) Whitesell on October 23, 1955 in Van Wert Ohio then moved and worked in Findlay, OH at Marathon Oil while raising his four children. Robert was a United States Army Veteran, serving during the Korean War. He retired from American Red Cross Of Huntington County as their Executive Director, and he also worked part time at Juergens Hardware in Huntington. He was a Foster Parent to many children, and he enjoyed serving others.

Survivors include his Wife, Ruth Ann Whitesell of Andrews, IN; Three Daughters, Kathryn D. Whitesell of Huntington, IN, Pamela Mollette of Honduras, Judith L. (Doug) Thornburgh of Andrews, IN; Ten Grandchildren, and Twenty-One Great Great Grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his Father, Cecil Whitesell, Mother, Athena Belle Whitesell, Son, Kenneth Whitesell, and Brother, Marion "Jr" Whitesell.

Visitation will be from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Thursday, November 19, 2020 at St.

Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, 648 North LaFontaine Street, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 pm Thursday, November 19, 2020 at St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Union Cemetery (Roanoke) in Huntington.

Current Executive Order, face coverings are required for all events.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Robert to the St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church or to The Huntington House, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at [www.baileylove.com](http://www.baileylove.com).

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Robert D. Whitesell.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 19. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church  
648 North LaFontaine Street  
Huntington, IN

## Service

NOV 19. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Bob cheerfully stepped forward to serve the Huntington County community. He made the lives of many people better. He will be missed.

*Ted Bendall*

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**Theodore L. Bendall** - November 20, 2020 at 08:03 AM

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“ I had the pleasure of serving on the Huntington County Red Cross Board while Bob was the E.D.

*Bob was an amazing humanitarian and advocate for the Red Cross and other underserved folks in our community. He always had a cheerful smile when I would see him. Bob leaves a very loving and caring legacy. Rest In Peace Bob. You left the world a better place.*

*Steve (and Jen) Mason*  
*Fairview, Texas*

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**Steve Mason** - November 17, 2020 at 12:30 PM

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“ I had the honor of working with Bob when he served as the Executive Director of the American Red Cross. His dedication and commitment benefited so many residents within Huntington County and beyond. He was a true example of a leader.

*Katherine Mac Aulay*

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**Katherine Mac Aulay** - November 17, 2020 at 09:59 AM