



William Jay "Jack" Tharp

March 4, 1923 - July 20, 2012

William Jay "Jack" Tharp, age 89, of Huntington, died at 11:40 p.m. Friday (July 20, 2012) at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Jack was born March 4, 1923, in Union Township, Huntington County, to Walter and Mary Lavon (Miller) Tharp. He graduated from West Union Center High School in 1941. Jack married Gladys Marie Gemmer on May 9, 1942 at her parent's home in Roanoke.

Jack was a lifetime farmer in Union Township and also worked at Roanoke Coil Factory, Huntington Laboratories and as a janitor at St. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church. He is a member of Union Church. Jack was a lifelong fiddle player at area square dances.

Survivors include his wife - Gladys M. Tharp of Huntington; one son - Walter E. (Jan) Tharp of Huntington; one daughter - Irene Westfall of Huntington; one sister - Georgeanna Shellenbarger of Huntington; seven grandchildren - Erika (Matt) LeMar of Huntington, Nicole (Eric) Hemmer of Denver, Colorado, Lacey (Sam) Neal of Washington, D.C., Alicia Tharp of Huntington, Gered Trimble of Portland, Oregon, Geoffre Trimble of Fort Wayne and Gentry Trimble of Huntington; and five great-grandchildren. His parents, and sisters - Ladonna Bartlett and Lavillia Hazelett preceded him in death.

Visitation will be from 3 - 7 p.m. Tuesday (July 24, 2012) at Bailey-Love Mortuary and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday (July 25, 2012) at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750 with Rev. Howard Cherry officiating. Burial will be in the Star of Hope Cemetery, Huntington County.

Cemetery Details

Star of Hope Cemetery

2-310 S. 200 E.
IN 46750

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 24. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

JUL 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of William Jay "Jack" Tharp



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - July 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Irene, I just found out about your dad. I'm sorry. I'm sure it will be a comfort for your mother to have you so close.

Deb Nowels

deb nowels - July 26, 2012 at 05:07 PM



“ Gladys, Irene, Walt & Families:
I always loved listening to Jack play the fiddle & Walt the piano what a joy! I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers our with all of you. God gets to enjoy his music now.

God Bless.

Sharon Wolf-Kissinger

Sharon Wolf-Kissinger - July 24, 2012 at 12:28 PM

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“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of William Jay
"Jack" Tharp*



Brenda - July 23, 2012 at 04:54 AM