



Dale E. Blackford

September 24, 1925 - December 26, 2014

Age: 89 Place of Residence: of Tippecanoe, Indiana

Time, Date & Place of Death: 8:30 am, Friday, Dec. 26, 2014 at his residence after being in failing health for 9 months

Date of Birth: Sept. 24, 1925 Place of Birth: Kosciusko County, Ind.

Parents Names: Joseph and Sarah (Sievers) Blackford

Date and Place of Marriage: April 21, 1946 in Mentone, Indiana to Beverly J.

Lozier she preceded Feb. 1, 1990, he then married on April 13, 1991 in Bourbon, Indiana to Deloris Dunnuck Ellinger she survives

Occupation: He was the U.S. Postmaster at the Tippecanoe Post Office for 27 years starting in the early 60's.

Memberships: Dale graduated from Tippecanoe High School. He served his country in the U.S. Army in WWII where he was a part of the 741st Engineer Base Equipment Company. He spent 18 months overseas in Guam and Hawaii. He was a lifetime member of the Tippecanoe Community Church where he held numerous positions. He was a founding member of the Tippecanoe Volunteer Fire Dept. starting in 1961. He was longest serving member of any Fire Dept. in Marshall County. He was an instrumental part of starting the EMS service in Tippecanoe.

Survivors and place of residence:

Wife – Deloris Blackford - Tippecanoe

Daughters – Marsha and husband Edward Miller – Tippecanoe, Ind.

Deborah Blackford - Tippecanoe, Ind.

Lisa and husband Timothy Kreft – Tippecanoe, Ind.

7 Grandchildren

16 Great Grandchildren

6 Sisters – Carol Baugher – Tippecanoe, Helen McIntyre – Tippecanoe, Nancy and husband Richard Kreft – Tippecanoe, Viola and husband Gene Ward – Argos, Sarah and husband Ronald Kauffman – Etna Green, and Rose and husband Ray Harroff - Warsaw

Brother – Dean and wife Barbara Blackford – Warsaw, Ind.

Step Children Include – Denny, Kent, Stan, Ron, and Roger Ellinger

Lisa Brannon, Christine Kitch, and Candy Sexton

Preceded in Death By:

Wife – Beverly J. Blackford

Daughter – Brenda Hepler who passed July 4, 2014

4 Brothers – Paul, Robert, Charles, and William Blackford

3 Sisters – Pauline Blackburn, Kathryn Montalbano, Mary Lozier

Time and Date of Services: 11:00 am, Wednesday, Dec. 31 with 1 hour of visitation prior to the service

Place of Services: Tippecanoe Community Church 2920 18 B Road
Tippecanoe, Indiana

Minister: Rev. Douglas Fritzel, Rev. George Shoemaker, and Larrie Kreft

Place of Burial: Tippecanoe Cemetery, Tippecanoe, Indiana with military graveside rites being preformed

Visitation Hours: 2 pm to 8 pm, Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2014 at Tippecanoe
Community Church Tippecanoe, Indiana

Memorial Contributions to: Gideon's International or the Center for Hospice of
Plymouth or the Tippecanoe Volunteer Fire Dept.

Cemetery Details

Tippecanoe Cemetery

Tippecanoe, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **30**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Tippecanoe Community Church
2920 18 B Road
Tippecanoe, IN

Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tippecanoe, IN

Tribute Wall

R.

“ *To: The Blackford Family.
I am sorry for your lost. At Isaiah 33:24 And no resident will say "I am sick." Soon
no one will fall asleep in death because of sickness or aging. Our love ones will come
to life (John 11:25) Our God has promised us and His word will come true.- Psalms 37:29
The righteous will possess the earth, And they will live on it forever*

R.Gaines - December 30, 2014 at 11:52 AM

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“ *Deloris and Blackford Family, Please accept our condolences in the passing of Dale. So many memories but biggest of all is when I was baptized in Dale's swimming pool in April of 1973 by Ernie Wilber. Oooh, that water was so cold but as a young believer in the Lord Jesus Christ I was adamant that I should be baptized as soon as possible. And Dale's swimming pool was the only thing available at the time. God's grace will carry you through!
Alan and Janet Robinson
Chattanooga, Tennessee*

Alan and Janet Robinson - December 30, 2014 at 07:47 AM

 Tina
Mcintire

“ *Tina Mcintire lit a candle in memory of Dale E.
Blackford*



Tina Mcintire - December 28, 2014 at 01:12 PM