



## Nayomia Maple

July 30, 1943 - December 15, 2013

Nayomia Maple, 70, Akron, died at 2 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013, at her residence after being in failing health for a year and a half.

Nayomia was born on July 30, 1943, in Hurley, Va., the daughter of Hannible and Katherine (Justice) Lester.

On July 6, 1964, in Hurley, Va., Nayomia married Ervin Dotson. He died May 6, 1976. She then was married on June 3, 1978, in North Manchester, to Jerry D. Maple, he died April 28, 2008.

Nayomia retired from Tippecanoe Valley Middle School as a cook. Prior to that she also worked at Akron Elementary. She was a homemaker that loved to clean and visit family.

Survivors include her daughter, Jennifer Murphy and husband Eric, Akron; three sons, James Edward Dotson and wife Lorena, El Paso, Texas, Jerry Jr. Maple and wife Malana, Fort Wayne, and Travis Michael Maple and wife Melissa, Fort Wayne; two sisters, Edith Justus, Hurley, Va., Retha Adams, Akron; 10 Grandchildren, Tyler Maple, Dylan Murphy, Brandon Murphy, Roma Dotson, Katelyn Maple, Ashlyn Maple, Elijah Maple, Kaitlyn Baysinger, Hailey Baysinger, and Chandler Zartman

Nayomia was preceded in death by her husbands; her parents, Hannible and Katherine Lester; sisters, Rebecca Dotson, Okie Justice, Clemie Bailey, Mary Lester, and Pearl Justus; and brother Lawrence Lester.

Funeral service is at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013, at the Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron. Visitation is from 4-6 p.m. on Wednesday. A private family burial will take place at Gaerte Cemetery, Macy.

Memorial Contributions to: Kosciusko County Cancer Fund

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# Cemetery Details

## Gaerte Cemetery

North 500 East  
Macy, IN 46910

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Hartzler Funeral Home  
305 West Rochester Street  
P.O. Box 856  
Akron, IN 46910  
(574) 893-4423  
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## Funeral Service

DEC 18. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Nayomia Maple



Hartzler Funeral Services - December 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Fantastic Sams purchased the Red Poinsettia for the family of Nayomia Maple.



Fantastic Sams - December 18, 2013 at 12:03 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Nayomia Maple.



December 17, 2013 at 08:51 PM



“ *Red Poinsettia was purchased for the family of Nayomia Maple.*



December 17, 2013 at 08:35 AM

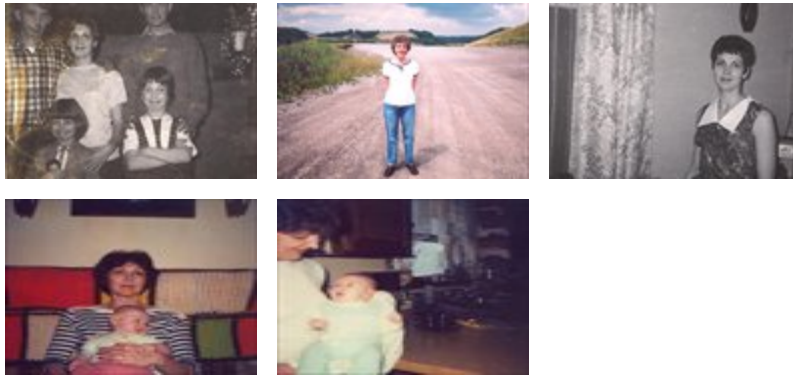


“ *Our prayers go out to the family at this difficult time.*

**Tom and Wendy Murray** - December 16, 2013 at 10:05 PM



“ *60 files added to the album Memories Album*



**Hartzler Funeral Services** - December 16, 2013 at 09:14 PM



*Nay was a wonderful aunt - and my babysitter for many years! She had a kind heart and a beautiful soul. She will always be remembered by those that knew her and she will be profoundly missed. I love you, Aunt Nay!*

**Sharon Steele** - December 17, 2013 at 11:02 AM

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*There are people who can tell you what stocks to buy and there people who have the knack at reading other people. So, here is the knack that I found that Nay had, she could always leave you feeling better about yourself and that is a rare gift. I have talk with Nay many times and left always feeling better about myself. Not many people have I met that make me feel this way but Nay was so gentle and kind and the way she spoke left you a better person. She will be greatly missed, specially around holiday times as she always made her way to my home to bring good cheer.*

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**Randy Howard** - December 17, 2013 at 05:33 PM

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*From my earliest memories my Aunt Nay has always been there to bond our family, she was always safe haven. As I was growing up she was always there for the good times and helped us bear the rough times. She had a helping spirit, a soft kind voice I don't think I can remember her ever raising her voice! She was a foundation to our family. It is really hard to find the words to express how much she meant to me. Through out my life she always played a key role. I still treasure the nursing plague she got for me. She will be greatly missed and she will always bring a smile while recalling fond memories.*

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**Sandy Howard** - December 17, 2013 at 05:51 PM