



Walter E. Thornburg

October 11, 1928 - October 18, 2008

Walter E. Thornburg, 80 of Kalkaska, passed away peacefully on Saturday, October 18, 2008 at Tendercare in Traverse City. He was born on October 11, 1928 in Kalkaska, the son of the late Dewey and Zelma (Lewis) Thornburg. Walter was married to the former Dorothy Groner for over 25 years. He married Nevada Apple Wyman on July 6, 1979. Walter graduated from Kalkaska High School in 1947. He was a veteran serving our country from 1951 - 1953 in the US Army. Walter was a welder by trade and took great satisfaction in creating things. He retired from Wayne Wire Cloth Products in 1993. Walter was a 4-H leader for 5 years and also helped out with the Boy Scouts. He enjoyed working in his garden and spending his winters in Fairhope, Alabama and his summers in Michigan. Surviving Walter is his beloved wife, Nevada, of 29 years; his devoted children, Sandra (Edward) Heinz of Waxhaw, NC, Diane (Leroy) Fleisher of Hamilton, Dawn Thornburg of Chicago, IL, and Randy Thornburg of Grand Rapids; his loving siblings, Darwin (Jean) Thornburg of South Boardman, Esther Sherwood of Kalkaska, Kenneth (Barbara) Thornburg of Kalkaska, Wilma (Melvin) Lindahl of Fife Lake, and Ronald (Judy) Thornburg of Kalkaska; and 8 precious grandchildren. Walter was preceded by his parents and his sister Ruth Ann Thornburg. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, October 22nd at 11:00 a.m. at Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, with Pastor Greg Wolfe from the Kalkaska United Methodist Church officiating. Memorials may be given in Walter's name to Tendercare, 2585 Lafranier Road, Traverse City, Michigan 49684. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



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January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



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