



Eldon E. Berry

August 30, 1912 - April 12, 2008

Eldon E. Berry, 95, Indianapolis, passed away April 12, 2008. He was born August 30, 1912 in Carmen, Alfalfa Co., Oklahoma. Eldon spent one summer living in a dugout near Spearman, Texas. He then migrated to Indianapolis and obtained a job with International Harvester where he worked for 35 years, retiring in 1972. Through promotions, he became a foreman and traveled for IH and supervised the assembly of the first IH V-8 engine. Mechanically minded, Eldon could fix anything. After retiring from IH, Eldon served as Operations Director at IMB Electronics in Southern California. At age 62, Eldon took up the game of golf and became a fine golfer. He also was an excellent horseback rider and participated in Rodeo events. An avid motor racing fan, Eldon attended the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for 70 years. He and his loving wife of 72 years, Dorothy Jo, traveled extensively throughout the United States. Jo preceded him in death November 30, 2007. Private graveside services will be held April 16, 2008 at Memorial Park Cemetery. Survivors include a son, Ron Berry; granddaughter, Debbie Howard; great-granddaughters, Desiree Henson, Holly Howard and Nicole Garrison; and a sister, Melva Lindsey of Palm Desert, CA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Unity North Church, 5511 E. 82nd St., Suite C, Indianapolis, IN 46250. Final arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel.