



## James Francis Hayes, Sr.

October 2, 1937 - June 3, 2012

74, of Indianapolis, passed away June 3, 2012. He was born October 2, 1937, in Pittsburgh, PA to the late Thomas J. and Mary Agnes Reynolds Hayes. James served his country in the U.S. Army as a Drill Instructor. He married Yelba Morales Hayes. James was a member of American Legion Post #3, Knights of Columbus Father Louis Gostee Council #13105, and Ancient Hibernians. Visitation will be Wednesday, June 6, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, 5377 E. Washington St. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, 550 N. Rural St., Indianapolis, 46201. James is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Yelba Hayes; children, Martha E. O'Connor (Greg Henneke), James F. Hayes Jr., Jacqueline Ann Backus (Dwayne), and Sarah Marie Stevenson (James); grandchildren, Sean O'Connor, Heather and Alyssa Hayes, Elena (Chris) Backus-Reed, Emily Backus, Daniel Backus, Lauren, James, Connor, and Cole Stevenson; great-granddaughter, Alivia Reed. Memorial contributions may be made to the Boy Scouts of America, P.O. Box 1966, Indianapolis, IN, 46206-1966, or Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 3001 E. 30th St., Indianapolis, IN, 46218.