



Kenneth Lee Askren

August 19, 1923 - September 29, 2009

86, of Fortville, passed away September 29, 2009. He was born August 19, 1923 in Lawrence, IN, to the late Robert and Mary (Record) Askren. Ken received the Purple Heart while serving in the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. Birmingham, in the Pacific Theater during WWII. He was in the Installation and Manufacturing Division of Thorpe Awning for 40 years, retiring in 1985. Ken married Marie Askren, and she preceded him in death. He then married Mary Ann Rife April 14, 1984. Visitation will be today, Thursday, October 1, 2009 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. Funeral services will be Friday at 10:00 a.m. at Fortville Church of The Nazarene, 701 S. Maple St., Fortville, IN. Ken is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Askren; children, Karen Riggs, Kenneth R. Askren (Linda), Karla Teboe (Clay), Keven Askren (Carrie); 6 stepchildren; 17 grandchildren and 12 step-grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; sister, Hazel Franklin; brothers, Thomas and Sherman Askren. Two brothers, Clyde and Harry Askren, preceded him in death. Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH, 45250.