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Phillip "Phil" Edward Speer, 83, of Bloomington passed away at IU Health Bloomington Hospital Thursday, May 30, 2013.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Miriam Mildred (McRoberts) four children, Michael Speer, Claudia Speer, Joseph Speer, all of Bloomington, and Beverly Speer of Madison, Wisconsin and one granddaughter, Katherine Speer of Bloomington.

Also surviving are a sister Barbara Jean (Dale) Plew of Weaverville, California and a brother Charles (Sarah) Speer of Dublin, Ohio, sister-in-law Betty Jo (Patterson) Speer of Springfield, Illinois; also, many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Phil was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Lalah (Doub) Speer, and a brother, Robert Speer.

Phillip was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War and was a lifetime member (60 years) and Past Commander of the Bloomington

American Legion Post 18 and post manager for 18 years. Prior to this he was a small business owner and his business, Modern Music Company, appeared in the Bloomington cult classic film, Breaking Away. He also was a long time member of the Bloomington VFW and Elks Lodge and he supported the local Fraternal Order of Police and IU athletics. He took great joy and pride in his granddaughter, Katie and was often seen cheering her on at her many academic and athletic endeavors. His many friends and fellow veterans appreciated the friendship and kindness he shared with them and others throughout his life.

Public graveside services will be 11am at Valhalla Memory Gardens on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 with the Monroe County Veterans Honor Guard conducting military last rites. There will be no public visitation.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that donations be sent in Phillip's name to American Cancer Society, Alzheimer's Association or Humane Society of the United States.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

RM

“ So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. We always enjoyed his enthusiasm at the IU football games! Our condolences to you, Mike, Katie, and the rest of your family

Ron and Rebecca Morgan - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

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“ Dear Speer Family,
You all are in my thoughts and prayers.
I have such wonderful memories of visits to your home when I was young . It was so nice getting together a couple of years ago for the Ohio vs. Indiana football game.

I pray for peace and comfort for you all.

Sincerely,

Kim Cullom

Kim Cullom (Speer) - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

TO

“ I have known Phil for over 40 years. One of the first people I met when I moved to Bloomington in 5th grade. He was always warm and hospitable. Although he was a busy man, He always kept track (or tried his best) as to what Mike and I were up to! He will be missed! Dr. Tom Pershing and Family

Tommy Pershing - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

SH

“ To Millie and children, I am so sorry to hear this news. My thoughts and prayers will be with you during this time. Phil was a great man and I always looked forward to seeing him while working at the Legion. Heaven is gaining another worker bee and angel. He'll be greatly missed. Sharon Masters

Sharon Masters - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

DP

“ I met Phil some time ago through Betsy Greene and your son Mike. I remember Phil as a very pleasant and gentle man with a big smile and a great sense of humor. He loved to laugh but more importantly he wanted to make sure those around him felt at ease and laughed and enjoyed the moment as well.

May you find peace and comfort among your family and friends at this most difficult and painful time.

Donna F. Pratt

Donna Pratt - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

CA

“ Speer family,
We are so sorry for your lose. We will be praying for your family during your time of need.
God Bless,
Rodney&Carolyn Clark
(Head)

carolyn clark - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

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“ *Phil was a great man. I remember dancing with him at the Legion many years ago. He was a great friend to all. He will be greatly missed. Prayers go out to family and friends.*

Lisa Keough - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

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“ *Mike and Family,
So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

Mike and Lana Allen

michael allen - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

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“ *YOU WILL BE MISSED MY FRIEND*

MY CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY.

GOD BLESS YOU.

orville hunter - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM