



## Wesley M. Baxter

February 24, 1929 - December 1, 2015

After a long battle with cancer, Wesley Monroe Baxter died on December 1, 2015 surrounded by his family at home in Bloomington, Indiana at the age of 86. He leaves behind his loving wife, Doris (Gillick) Baxter.

Born on February 24, 1929 in Bloomington, Indiana, Wes was the son of John W. Baxter and Dorothy (Mathis) Baxter, both deceased. He graduated from Bloomington High School and was drafted into the Korean Conflict in 1950.

After serving his country, Wesley worked for 36 years at RCA in Bloomington as a tool and dye maker and a union steward. He retired in 1985. Wesley was also a longtime beef cattle farmer, raising Angus beef alongside his friend and partner Brian Shields.

In 2006, he married Doris and inherited seven children, Diana (Tony) Ray, Victoria Bates, Deborah (Chuck) Sheppard, Carla (Perry) Shake, Cindy Ray Beatty, Paula McNeal and David Ray fourteen grandchildren, and seventeen great-grandchildren. He was rich in family.

Wesley was a member of Northside Christian Church. He enjoyed

his friends and family, farming, and bluegrass music.

He is survived by a sister Thresa Woods (Buck), brother-in-law Dale Kent, two nieces, three nephews, close family friends Dave, Steve, Chuck, and Chris Hanner, and his large inherited family. He is preceded in death by his parents, and sisters Naomi (Baxter) Kent and Helen Oskespenskey.

Friends may call on the family at Allen Funeral Home & Crematory in Bloomington from 3pm to 8pm Friday, December 4, 2015. Funeral service will be held at Allen Funeral Home & Crematory on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 10am with calling from 9am to service time, with Pastor Glen Stidd officiating. Burial will follow at Clear Creek Cemetery with Military Rites.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Wesley's honor to Northside Christian Church, 3993 N. Prow Rd., Bloomington, IN 47404.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Hawkins Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Wesley M. Baxter*



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**The Hawkins Family** - February 23, 2016 at 12:07 AM

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“ *May the Angels surround Doris and all of the family as we lay to rest such a wonderful man who touched so many hearts and lives. I have always admired his honesty to just tell it like it is. Wes enjoyed telling stories and I enjoyed listening. Wes thank you for all the love you gave to me and advice thru out the years. You will be greatly missed but I take much comfort that you are now healed and free of all pain resting in the arms of Jesus. God Bless have a beautiful life in Heaven love Dwayne and Helen Woods*

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**HELEN Woods** - January 07, 2016 at 12:21 PM

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“ *Dear Doris & family, Lou and I send our sympathy for your loss of Wesley. He was my mom's first cousin. I remember him coming out to see the relatives in Kansas many times. He loved to visit with people. We got to visit Wesley and Doris on two occasions in their home these past few years. We also got to meet Teresa and her husband. He was still hoping to make another trip to Kansas. He was full of life. We'll remember him with a smile on our faces. Sincerely, Diana & Lou Frohardt*

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**Diana Frohardt** - January 07, 2016 at 12:21 PM