



Nathan Collins

May 14, 1927 - May 14, 2009

NATHAN K. COLLINS SR. (NATE) age 82 of Portage Indiana passed away on May 14 2009. He left behind his wife of 58 years Marie three sons: Larry W. (Joyce) Collins of Indianapolis Nathan (fiancee Helen Hufgard) Collins Jr. of Valparaiso Richard D. (Amy) Collins of Chesterton: one grandson Matt Collins of Valparaiso three granddaughters: Allison (Chris) Rowland of Valparaiso Stephanie (Joe) Cultra of Champaign IL Elizabeth (Ryan) Connors of Westville one great granddaughter Alivia Hauber of Valparaiso one sister Ruth (Allen) Adkins of Ramsey Virginia many cousins nieces and nephews who will miss him dearly. Preceded in death by his parents Nathan and Myrtle Collins sister Audrey Alderson brother James Collins daughter Marie Sue Collins grandson Nathan Collins IV and a stillborn son. Nate was a member of First Assembly of God Church Portage and loved the Pastors and the people there. He enjoyed being an usher and greeter at the church. He especially liked the senior group called the Primetimers. Nate served in the Air Force in World War II and the Army during the Korean War. After fulfilling his duties in the armed forces he began working in the coal mines around his hometown of Norton Virginia married Marie and started a family. Eventually they moved to Indiana where he started working for Wonder Bread bakery then ultimately LTV Steel until retiring in 1990. Nate was a loving husband and father a very good friend and neighbor. He will be missed by all who knew him. Family and friends may call at Pruzin Brothers Funeral Service 2700 Willowcreek Rd. Portage Sunday May 17 2009 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Funeral service will be

10:00 a.m. Monday May 18 2009 at Pruzin Brothers Chapel with Pastor Mike Bean officiating. At rest Calvary Cemetery Portage In lieu of flowers please send donations to VNA Hospice of Porter County 501 Marquette St. Valparaiso IN 46383. Please click the following link to view Nates Tribute video. <http://videos.lifetributes.com/69389>><http://videos.lifetributes.com/69389>

Tribute Wall

MC

“ To all those who knew Grandpa most did not know that he was more of a father to me than my own father. He took me in as his daughter and loved me like I was his own. I remember the many pots of coffe we shared together on the back porch and how he loved my Chicken NDumplings. He gave me love as a father that I never had known from my own father. I could always talk to him about anything. He was non judgmental and his wisdom encouraged me for a lifetime. He had a love for dogs and took our Maggie as his grand-dog. He will always be my surrogate father. I will miss him sorely but I know he is in a better place. He promised to check on my son my parents and all the little children he knew who had passed on. I will love and miss him forever! Marcia Garrett-Collins

Marcia Collins - May 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Sorry for your loss. My prayers are with your family at this time. I know youll miss him but he is in a much better place!

Scott Cranor - May 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ My grandpa was the greatest man Ive ever known. He was such a blessing to others and served God for so many years. He was excited and ready to go home as he called it and meet his maker. Thank you grandpa for all the times we shared. I have so many fond memories of you. I will treasure all the stories you told me for the rest of my life. You have touched so many people serving as grandpa to so many. May you still have a pocket full of candy to give to the children in heaven. I love you! Stephanie

Stephanie Cultra - May 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WE

“ Sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed my conversations with Mr Collins. He will be missed. NickTrishKateJakeNoah

Webers - May 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ From a loving Granddaughter: Dear Papaw You have been such a pillar of strength guidance and fatherly wisdom for me throughout my entire life. If not for you and all the wonderful things you have done I would not be the woman I am today. Thank you sincerely for your love and friendship. Save a spot for me in heaven next to you and all our other loved ones! I will miss you so very much until we can see each other again. In Christs Redeeming Love Elizabeth Ashley

Elizabeth Connors - May 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Nathan Collins I will never forget you. Our laughter our tears and our friendship. Not a day goes by that I don't think of you and Marie..I will always love you and look forward to seeing you in Glory one day. I have no beyond a shadow of a doubt that you with our Savior Jesus and there is no more suffering for you. Some people we will never forget that touch our lives with love and kindness. So enjoy your new life Nathan Collins. We will love you always.....Mike and Marilyn Forbes

Marilyn & Mike Forbes - May 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM