



Jim Graves

Bedford – Jim Graves, 87, of Bedford, died at 1:25 pm on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at his residence.

Born December 20, 1928, in Lawrence Co., he was the son of Herman and Juanita (Brown) Graves. He married Barbara Casada on June 9, 1948 and she survives. He was a professional baseball player in the New York Giants system for nine years. He retired as District Commander of the Bloomington Indiana State Police Post and later retired as a business administrator for the Indiana State Highway Department. He was a member of the Central Church of Christ and Mt. Pleasant Christian Church. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving with the 101st Airborne Division. He was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel on August 21, 1975 by Gov.

Julian Carroll and honored with the Distinguished Hoosier Award on December 22, 2005 by Gov. Mitch Daniels.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of Bedford; a son, Jan Graves and wife, Kimber, of Seymour; a daughter, Jamie McClain and husband, Rocky, of Bedford; nine grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; a brother, Neil Graves and wife, Sue, of Goshen, IN; two sisters-in-law, Sue Graves, of Bedford and Faye Graves, of Danville, IN. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Betty Victory and Janice Reed; two brothers, Buzzy and Don Graves.

Memorial services will be conducted at 2:00 pm on Saturday, November 5th at the Mt. Pleasant Christian Church with Rev. Jeff Hudelson officiating. Visitation will be from 12:00 noon until the hour of service on Saturday, November 5th at the Mount Pleasant Christian Church. The family asks that friends consider memorial contributions to the Boys & Girls Club. Family and friends may express condolences at www.daycarter.com.