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Gerald F. Heppner, age 79 of Batesville, died Friday, July 28, 2017 at Margaret Mary Health. Born December 6, 1937 in Batesville, he is the son of Loretta (Nee: Lampe) and August Heppner. He married Shirley Volk. Jerry worked as meat cutter at Simpson's IGA 26 years. After retiring, he managed the East Bowl and farmed for many years.

A member of St. Louis Church, Jerry was very devout. If he wasn't in the back of church, you would find him on the porch or out at the church cemetery praying every day. However, he had his playful side too, and while he liked being ornery, he liked it even more if you gave it right back to him. Growing up halfway between Cincinnati and Indianapolis, Jerry somehow became Green Bay Packers fan. He also enjoyed watching Law & Order, was a longtime league bowler and in later years liked to "tootle around town" according to his family.

He is survived by his daughters Debbie Hughes of Batesville, Dena Heppner of Martinsville, Indiana; brother Jim Heppner of Oldenburg and five grandchildren. In addition to his wife and parents, he is also preceded in death by his son Daren Heppner; sister Betty Heppner; brothers Martin, Albert and Rev. Sylvester Heppner and granddaughter Alyssa Heppner.

Visitation is Tuesday, August 1st, from 9 – 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services follow at 11:30 a.m. at St. Louis Church with Rev. Stan Pondo officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family requests memorials to the St. Louis Church Adoration Chapel.



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MV

Mary Voegele posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. I didn't really know Jerry personally but I felt like I did. He was at the cemetery every weekend morning when I walked my dog there. He was there praying in his car and always waived and smiled at me. I will miss him . It will be sad to not see his car there. God Bless Him

August 1 at 8:00 PM

HB

Holly Boyd posted:

Sorry for your loss.

July 31 at 8:00 PM

P4

Paul & Loraine Honeycutt Of Sunman,In.47041 posted:

Sorry to hear of Jerry's passing prayers for the family he will be missed,God Bless.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

MI

Marr And Rob Wittmer Of Batesville, Indiana posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family...wishing you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Mary and Rob

July 30 at 8:00 PM

RI

Rick And Mary Jane Heppner Johnson Of Guilford, Indiana posted:

Jerry always made me laugh when I came into the IGA store years ago. Sending love and prayers to the family.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

MI

Margaret Neth Of Warsaw,In posted:

So sorry to hear of Gerry's passing late last week. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time. Such a devout man....who had a crazy sense of humor also.....he was such a kind heart to many. Batesville is saddened by his passing...and so is the St. Louis faith family.

July 30 at 8:00 PM



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DS

Dolores Gaines Of Shelbyville, In posted:

Sorry for your loss - he will be missed

July 30 at 8:00 PM

AB

Amy Moll Of Batesville In posted:

Thinking of the whole family. Grampie was one of a kind and one of the sweetest souls. We love you Grampie... forever in our hearts.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

TI

Tony Koors Of Indianapolis posted:

Jim & family, very sorry for your loss. Jerry was a great guy, had lots of fun with him at East Bowl. God bless.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

RB

Rita Jansing Of Batesville, In posted:

Jerry, you will be so missed. Melody loved you like a Grandpa. My sympathy to Debbie, Dena and all. Love, Rita

July 30 at 8:00 PM

AG

Anita Of Greensburg posted:

Many hugs to Jerry's family. He was a great man who had a watchful eye over quite a few of us growing up at East Bowl. ❤️

July 29 at 8:00 PM



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KI

Katrina (Herbert) Sandefur Of Edinburgh Indiana posted:

Jerry was one of my favorites. Growing up, I spent many of my teenage years at the bowling alley in Batesville. Many weekends, i sat at the bowling alley playing pool, drinking coffee and learning about life from Jerry. I remember he brought back all of us kids cross necklaces from a trip he took. Almost 20 years later, I still have that necklace. I spent my 16th birthday at the bowling alley with Jerry when I didn't have any other plans. I learned a lot from him. I cherish these memories and always will. I hadn't seen him 15 years, but I know that all who knew Jerry will miss him greatly. Rest in Peace ole bird..

July 29 at 8:00 PM

DB

Daniel Franks Of Batesville posted:

Many memories Dan and Detrie Franks

July 29 at 8:00 PM

SI

Susie And Kendall Mcmillan Of Sunman, Ind. posted:

We are so sorry for your loss in this great man prayers and hugs for all he truly was a great person ornery as heck but all who knew him loved him. I will miss him more than ever as he helped me when I first worked at the bowling alley. Please know if you guys need anything please let me know.

July 29 at 8:00 PM

DL

Dale And Dan Doogs Of Lawrenceburg, In posted:

Sending our deepest sympathies on your loss. Thinking of you during this difficult time and sending prayers. Regards, Dale and Dan

July 29 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gerald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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