



Wesley Burkard

September 10, 1909 - February 2, 2007

Wesley Burkard -- Bonfield Visitation for Wesley "Wes" C. Burkard, 97, of Bonfield, will be from 9:30 a.m. Monday until the 11 a.m. funeral services at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. Rev. John Kiefer will officiate. Cremation rites will be accorded by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Crematory. Memorials may be made to the Bonfield Lions Club. He died Friday (Feb. 2, 2007), at Riverside Medical Center. Mr. Burkard worked at Kroehler's during World War II, Bordens Soy Beans, J.R. Short Milling and Riverside Medical Center. He was born Sept. 10, 1909, in Aroma Park, the son of Ira and Stella Gilbert Burkard. His first wife, the former Irene Grob, whom he married July 6, 1929, in Crown Point, Ind., died Nov. 5, 1978. He attended Bonfield First United Methodist Church. He enjoyed woodworking, reading and sports, especially softball in Bonfield, fishing and helping with the Fourth of July fireworks in Bonfield. Surviving are his wife, the former Myrtle Dahn of Kankakee, whom he married Dec. 15, 1979, in Bonfield; one son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Judith Burkard of Oswego; one daughter and son-in-law, Doreen and Harold Wendling of Limestone; one stepdaughter, Beverly Gilbert of Kankakee; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Mildred Burkard of Kankakee; and several nieces and nephews. One brother and four sisters are deceased.