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HARRY L. DeROO, 72, died Monday at his home. Born in Fort Recovery, Ohio, he retired from Servicemaster in Decatur and Huntington. He was the former service manager at Schwartz Ford, former owner and operator of the Wren Garage in Wren, Ohio, and a former employee of General Electric Co. in Fort Wayne. Surviving are his wife, Sharon S.; a son, Roger L. of Monroe; a daughter, Mabelle R. Alspaugh of Decatur; two sisters, Beulah Wine of Celina, Ohio, and Mildred Painter of Decatur; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; 12 stepchildren; and 12 step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Gene, in 1999. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur. Calling from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, with a Moose Lodge service at 8 p.m. Burial in Decatur Cemetery, Decatur. Memorials to Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.