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Leroy F. Walters, 77, of rural Decatur, went to his heavenly home on January 26, 2011. Leroy was born on August 9, 1933 in Adams County, Indiana to the late Forrest S. and Xariffa M. (Barkley) Walters. He first married Ruth M. (Gephart) on March 27, 1959 and she died on February 6, 1995. He then married Sherril M. Bentz on May 24, 1997.

Leroy was a lifelong resident of Adams County. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and its Alpha and Omega Sunday school class. He was a McDonald's Coffee club member and an avid square dancer. He retired in 1995 after 27 years of service with A.E.P. and was a lifetime farmer. He served in the United State Army during the Korean Conflict.

Leroy is survived by his wife Sherril M. Walters of Decatur, three daughters Mrs. Rebecca M. (Ernie) Suman, Mrs. Patricia A. (Rick) Rumschlag both of Decatur, Miss Amy S. Walters of Columbia City; three step sons - Mike (Marcie) Bentz of Scottdale, PA, Vaughn (Elizabeth) Bentz of Archbold, OH and Max (Donna) Bentz of New Hamburg, Ontario Canada; a step daughter Sheri (Ed) Smith of St. Petersburg, FL; six grandchildren, six great grandchildren and seven step grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a sister Marcella Springer.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Friday, January 28, 2011 at Haggard and Sefton Funeral Home and one hour prior to services at the church. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 29, 2011 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Martha Lyon officiating. Burial will be in Decatur Cemetery with military graveside rites by American Legion Post #43. Memorials are to First United Methodist Church-Video Ministry or Family Hospice and Palliative Care.

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