

Roy Sprunger

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Roy Sprunger was born in Berne, in Adams County, on July 21, 1927. He was the son of Robert L. Sprunger and Rhoda Sprunger. Roy was the 6th child of Robert and Rhoda. Roy had 6 brothers and sisters. Roy lived in Monroe for approximately two to three years before his parents moved back to Berne, Indiana. In the third grade, Roy was diagnosed with a heart murmur. This diagnosis inhibited his ability to play outdoors and go to school occasionally. Roy graduated from Berne High School. Roy was drafted into the military as a conscientious objector. Roy chose not to carry a gun and was therefore trained to be a medic and practiced giving shots to an orange. Just before being shipped out the war ended and Roy never left the United States. Roy then attended Bluffton College where he met his wife Carol Hooley. Roy Married Carol on June 30, 1951. Roy returned to Berne and worked at Dunbar in the drafting department. Roy left Dunbar and worked with Ernie Schwartz in construction. After working in construction Roy decided to own his own business J and R Construction. Roy had a surgery in 1982 to close a hole in his heart that was misdiagnosed as a heart murmur. Roy left the business after his surgery to work with Kent Sprunger. Roy worked on the construction of Swiss Village during this time. Roy had three children Norman, Nedra, and Elinor. Roy died of pancreatic cancer, on May 11, 2004.

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