



James B. Titus

February 24, 1921 - October 11, 2013

James B. Titus, 92, of Botkins, died 6:05 p.m., Fri. Oct. 11, 2013, at the Wapakoneta Manor. He was born Feb. 24, 1921, in Pomeroy, OH, the son of James S. & Margaret (Wolfe) Titus, who preceded him in death. On March 15, 1950, he married Joyce E. Varney, and she died Dec. 13, 2003. Survivors include, 2 sons, Richard S. (Sandra L.) Titus, Wapakoneta, Jeffrey A. (Patricia S.) Titus, Cicero, NY, 5 grandchildren, Matthew S. (Elizabeth) Titus, Melissa R. (Michael) Picard, Jared A. (Alicia) Titus, Bethany N. Titus, & Kelsey M. Titus, 4 great grandchildren, Connor, Nolan, and Ian Picard, & Braydon Titus, a brother-in-law, Glenn (Connie) Varney, Bowling Green, OH, Special friends, Tom (Rita) Baumer, Botkins, Deborah Stegall, St. Marys, Karen Smothers, Montezuma, OH. A farmer, Jim worked as a soil consultant at Brookside Laboratories, New Knoxville. He was a W.W. II veteran of the U.S. Navy, and a graduate of The Ohio State University. His memberships included the New Knoxville United Methodist Church, NRA, the American Legion, Post #444, New Knoxville, and the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. He enjoyed reading, auto racing, and attending gun shows. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Wed. Oct. 16, 2013, at the Long & Folk Chapel, 13 South Blackhoof St., (please use address in the paper, thanks) Wapakoneta, Pastor Dennis Gaertner officiating. Burial will follow in the Pilger Ruhe Cemetery, New Knoxville, OH, where military rites will be conducted. The family will receive friends from 4-8 p.m., Tues. at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the New Knoxville United Methodist Church.