

Nov. 21, 1923

May 23, 2013

Harold E. Hesse, 89, of Spencerville, died at 10:50 a.m. Thursday at Van Wert Inpatient Hospice Center, with his son and daughter by his side.

He was born Nov. 21, 1923, in Mendon to Ralph Ernest and Ethel Mae (Shank) Hesse, who preceded him in death.

He had been married to Verna M. Rasberry, who survives in St. Marys. Then on April 23, 1977, he married Vivian Kay Gear, who died June 24, 2008.

Also surviving are his children, Cheri Lynn Hesse of Mendon, David H. (Lois) Hesse of Riverside, Calif., Karen Sue (Jeff) Getman of Hamilton, Mont., and J. Allen (Sandy) Hesse of Mendon; and five grandchildren, Jenny Hesse of California, Amanda, Brittany and Stephanie Hess of Mendon and Christine Dixon of California; and a great-granddaughter, Chloe Dixon.

He was also preceded in death by his 6-year-old son, Steven Glenn Hesse on Aug. 30, 1968.

Funeral services will begin at 7 p.m. Sunday at Thomas E. Bayliff Funeral Home, Spencerville, the Rev. John Medaugh officiating. Military rites by the Spencerville Veterans will follow. Burial will be at a later date in Spencerville Cemetery.

Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Spencerville VFW or American Legion posts or Van Wert Hospice.