



## Leon J. Fleck

January 19, 1934 - October 2, 2019

Dateline Jasper, IN

Leon J. Fleck, age 85 of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 3:20 a.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 on the Fleck family farm where he was born and raised.

Leon was born on January 19, 1934 to Albert Sr. and Emily (Hopf) Fleck. He married Elfrieda Schwinghammer on July 18, 1959 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jasper.

He completed 9 years of military service in the U.S. Army, where he served as a Paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and retired from the U.S. Army Reserves at the rank of Sergeant First Class. He was a member of the American Legion Post #147.

Leon worked at the Dubois County Bank for 43 years where he retired.

He was a charter member of Holy Family Catholic Church where he was active in many organizations. He and his wife were recipients of the Simon Brute' Award. He was also a 4th degree member of the Jasper Knights of Columbus.

Leon served as regional staff assistant in Southwestern Indiana for U.S. Senator Birch Bayh. He received the Sagamore of the Wabash award twice. He was Executive Director of Governmental Affairs and State Director for the IBA. He served as Dubois County Democratic Chairman, Dubois County Commissioner, on the Dubois County Council, and on the Dubois County Sheriff's Merit Board.

He was appointed to the State Board of Education by Governor Robert Orr on February 20, 1984 where he served for 4 years. He was appointed to the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles Commission and the Lottery Commission in 1998 by Governor O'Bannon.

Leon is a founding member of ROJAC and was a past President of the Jasper Kiwanis, Jasper Jaycees, and the Dubois County Chapter of the American Heart Association. He was a member of the Jasper Chamber of Commerce where he was also on the board of directors and served as Vice President. He was a recipient of the Chamber Excellence Award, Positive Success Award, Distinguished Service Award, Outstanding Local Jaycee President in Indiana, Outstanding Young Man in Jasper, and the Presidents Community Excellence Award.

In his free time, Leon enjoyed water skiing, the outdoors, farming, and spending time with his family.

Surviving are his wife, Elfrieda Fleck, 2 daughters; Karen Waninger, Tyler, TX, Denise (Randy) Baglan, Dubois, IN, 3 sons; Noel (Kay) Fleck, Jasper, IN, Kevin Fleck, Carmel, IN, Jon (Janelle) Fleck, Jasper, IN, 17 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and 1 on the way.

Preceding him in death were one daughter, Madonna Fleck, and four brothers: Albert JR, Harold, Raymond, and Robert Fleck.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Leon J. FLeck will be held at 11 am on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper, with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct military graveside rites.

A visitation will be held from 3 pm until 7 pm on Friday, October 4th, 2019 at the Becher Kluesner Downtown Chapel and from 9 am until the 11 am service time at the church on Saturday. A rosary will be prayed by the Holy Family Parish at 2:45 pm on Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Catholic Church, ROJAC, Riley Hospital for Children, or a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

1020 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 4. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - Downtown  
214 East 7th Street  
Jasper, IN 47546  
(812) 482-4141  
email@becherkluesner.com

## Visitation

OCT 5. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Catholic Church  
950 Church Ave  
Jasper, IN

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Catholic Church  
950 Church Ave  
Jasper, IN



# Tribute Wall



“ *Leon J. Fleck*

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January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Dear Elfrieda,  
Please accept my love and prayers as your life continues without your cherished Leon. I am so sorry. I read so many nice things about him.  
I am so happy you had each other for 60 years.  
That was a real blessing  
Love and prayers, Mary Fran Keusal, SP*

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**Mary Frances Keusal, SP** - February 26, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ *Dear Elfrieda and the entire Fleck Family - we are heartbroken to hear the news this morning of Leon's passing. He was an amazing man and servant leader and we are better for knowing him and the world is better because of him. I remember fondly my, and subsequently our family's, stays at Patoka Lake and in Jasper - we might have had a beer or two, we definitely shared many a story and a whole host of laughs and the political discussions were among the best of my life. Being with Leon and Elfrieda made Dubois County one of my favorite places on this earth. Our family was treated as Leon's and Elfrieda's family. I love you...we love you.  
Peace - Bryan, Traci, Jack, Sam and Maddi Nicol*

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**J Bryan Nicol** - October 05, 2019 at 10:33 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Leon's passing. I worked with him at the Dubois County Bank  
For several years. He was a very respected kind gentleman and a great friend to everyone. Please extend my sympathy to all his family.*  
*Ellen Berger Rees*

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**Ellen Berger Rees** - October 03, 2019 at 11:25 AM

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“ *Beth Carl Underwood lit a candle in memory  
of Leon J. Fleck*



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**Beth Carl Underwood** - October 02, 2019 at 08:41 PM