



Wm. Russel Heitz

January 14, 1930 - January 18, 2020

Dateline St. Anthony, IN

Wm. Russel Heitz, age 90 of St. Anthony, Indiana, passed away at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at North River Health Center in Evansville, Indiana.

Russ was born in Huntingburg, Indiana on January 14, 1930 to William and Louise (Pfaff) Heitz. He married Viola "Shortie" Kunkler on June 27, 1953 in St. Anthony Catholic Church. She preceded him in death on February 7, 2016.

He retired from Central Concrete as a boom truck driver.

Russ was a member of Divine Mercy Parish - St. Anthony Catholic Church, and the St. Anthony Community Center.

He enjoyed watching any sporting event and taking long drives trying to find a road he had not been on before. He also liked to hang out at Commercial Truck Sales in Bretzville and Berg's Garage in St. Marks. Russ never met a stranger and enjoyed spending time with friends and family.

Surviving is one daughter, Tonya Wilgus (Rick), Evansville, IN, two grandchildren, Trace Wilgus (Abby) Nashville, TN, and Trev Wilgus (Paige),

Manhattan, NY, two great grandchildren, Nora Jo Wilgus, and Mack Michael Wilgus, nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death beside his wife were two sisters, Emmogyne Schwartz, and Patricia Jochem, and one brother, Fred Heitz.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Wm. Russel Heitz will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in St. Anthony, Indiana, with burial to follow in the church cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, and from 9:00 a.m. until the 10:00 a.m. service time on Wednesday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Divine Mercy Parish, or to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com

Cemetery Details

St. Anthony of Padua Church Cemetery

4444 Ohio Street
St. Anthony, IN 47575

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

JAN 22. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
4444 Ohio Street
St. Anthony, IN 47575

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 22. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
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St. Anthony, IN 47575

Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Russel Heitz*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Schroering Plumbing Heating & AC LLC lit a candle in memory of Wm. Russel Heitz*



Schroering Plumbing Heating & AC LLC - January 22, 2020 at 10:40 AM

JH

“ Tonya and Rick, we express our deepest sympathies on the passing of Tonya's dad, Russell. Mr. Seitz as I really knew him was a tremendous and caring person. Also delightful and positive about life and about experiences with people. My associations with him and with his delivery services with "Central Concrete" or Dubois Brick and Block, were always value and fulfilling. He was a tremendous support of life, family and others. May God Bless him for all these values that he brought to us all. and may you all take comfort in knowing that Mr. Seitz made a positive difference in all that he touched throughout his life and working experiences. May God Bless you all.

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James and Judi Hagedorn - January 22, 2020 at 07:47 AM

DI

“ Diane lit a candle in memory of Wm. Russel Heitz



Diane - January 21, 2020 at 10:06 PM

DI

“ So sorry for your loss Tonya. Russ was such a wonderful man. Always enjoyed talking with him. He gave us so many good memories from our softball days. Always a smile on his face. Sorry I can't make it to the services, under the weather.

Diane - January 21, 2020 at 10:05 PM

LW

“ Larry Wagner lit a candle in memory of Wm. Russel Heitz



Larry Wagner - January 20, 2020 at 02:28 PM

LW

Russ was a great person and nieghbor I alwaysed enjoyed talking to him.

Larry Wagner - January 20, 2020 at 02:33 PM

JT

I am so very sorry to see Russ has gone. It was only just a few days ago he called me. He was such a good friender to me and my family. I could always call him up; we had a good ol' time shooting the breeze, laughing. His sense of humor, his kindness...I will sorely miss him. I am so sorry for your loss, Tonya.

Julie A Throop - January 21, 2020 at 07:49 PM