

James "Buster" Elroy Ross, 78, of Terre Haute died Monday, Nov. 28, 2005. He retired from Hercules. He was born Feb. 20, 1927, in Terre Haute to Harry and Luella Ross. His wife, Lillian Marquita Thompson Ross, died Nov. 8, 2005.

Survivors include one sister and brother-in-law, Cleta and Ervin Harris of Terre Haute; one son, James Stewart and wife Darlene; and grandchildren, Linda, Allan, Tyree and Erykatt, all of Terre Haute, Kedrick Ross and wife Bernadette of Indianapolis; a daughter, Marsha and husband Lloyd "Randy" Booker; and grandchildren, Nathaniel and Daniel Booker, of Hobbs, N.M.; a daughter, Dawn Ross of Suwanee, Ga.; a son, Tracy and wife Shari Stevens; and grandchildren, Whitlee and Taylor of Overland Park, Kan.; a son, Lonnie Ross of Alpharetta, Ga.; granddaughter, LeeAnna Ross of Hobbs; a son, Kevin Trent Ross and grandchildren, Kristyn, Jasmine, Rella and Nicole, all of Chicago; two daughters, Gloria Partee Ross and Georgette Torres and grandchildren, Mark II, Michael and Mashala; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; a host of friends and special people behind like his nieces and nephews, Annetta, Clifton, Michelle, Deanna and Patrick, who have been a special part of his life these last few weeks; and so many others too numerous to mention.

He also was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Everette Ross and Donald "Buck" Ross; two sisters, Electra Ross and Luretta Ross; two sons, Kevin Ross and Gary Ross; and one grandson, Joseph Booker.

He was in the U.S. Army and served part of his time in Germany. When he came home from the war, he went to work for the railroad as a mail clerk. He was a Mason.

Services are noon Saturday in Lost Creek Baptist Church, with the Rev. Dennis Manuel officiating. Burial is in Stewart Lawn Cemetery. Visitation is 10 a.m. until services Saturday. Russell Funeral Home assisted with arrangements