



## Darrell B. Watkins

November 5, 2008

Darrell B. Watkins, 87, passed away on Wednesday November 5, 2008 in his daughters Ottawa Hills home surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Hudson Indiana on April 15, 1921 to Nellie and Paul Watkins. Darrell was a graduate of Metamora High School class of 1939. He served his country during WWII in the Navy aboard the Yorktown at Iwo Jima and Okinawa Japan. He was honorably discharged in 1945 as a Chief Aviation Radio Technician. He went on to marry his wife Virginia Ries in Seattle in 1943. After moving to Toledo, he graduated from the University of Toledo with a degree in electrical engineering. Until his retirement, he was employed by the Ohio Inspection Bureau/Insurance Office where he did fire insurance inspections and rated commercial properties. He enjoyed woodworking, do-it-yourself projects around the home and especially watching he grandchildren's sports. He is survived by his children, Barbara (Patrick) Reid, David (Margurite) Watkins; grandchildren, Derek Keeler, Brock Keeler, Kierstin Reid, Tenley Reid, Brittany Watkins, Riley Watkins; and his special cousin Buford (Phyllis) Shankland who he thought of as a brother. He was preceded in death by his wife Virginia. Friends are invited to visit from 2:00-8:00PM on Saturday November 8, 2008 in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home where funeral services will begin at 10:00AM on Monday. Rev. Patricia Lawrence-Schaffer Officiant. Interment in Zion Cemetery, Metamora Ohio. Those wishing to make memorial contributions are asked to consider Hospice of Northwest Ohio.



# Tribute Wall

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“ Hi Barb and Dave, So sorry for the passing of your father! I always thought he was a hell of a guy, I know my Dad sure did!! My condolences to you both. Thoughts with you, Mark.

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