



Cook, Jessie E

Michigan City, IN

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Jessie E. Cook, Sr. age 83, of Michigan City, died Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2009. Services will be held Friday, October 2, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at Carlisle Funeral Home. Visitation will be Thursday from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home, with a memorial service conducted by VFW Post #2536 and American Legion Post #451. Burial will be in Swan Lake Memorial Gardens, with full military rites.

Mr. Cook was born February 23, 1926 in Nevada, TX to Desler and Eula Cook, both of whom preceded him in death. On August 10, 1968 in Michigan City, he married Florence Hoffman, she preceded him in death. Surviving are his children Ann (Dick) Wilson of Mt. Juliet, TN, Debbie Brown of Michigan City, Karen (Rich) Edwards of LaPorte, Mark (Cheryl) Cook of Michigan City, Scott Cook of Kenosha, WI, Jessie (Carol) Cook, Jr. of LaPorte, Judy Landry, Kenneth (Susie) Cook, and Kathy (Mike) Midkiff, all of DeQuincy, LA, 13 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild, sister Calla, brothers Thomas Lee and Howard, and special family friends Gary and Kathy Brown. He was preceded in death by a daughter Carolyn Hardin. Mr. Cook had been a welding foreman with Bethlehem Steel.

He was a veteran of the US Army during WWII serving in the Asian-Pacific Theatre and was at Iwo Jima. He was a former member of VFW Post #2536, American Legion Skwiat Post #451, Moose #980. He was very active in the Madelyn Smrt Westside neighborhood center. He also attended Grace Tabernacle in Zion, Il. Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthur B. and Ethel V. Horton VNA Hospice Center, 501 Marquette St., Valparaiso, IN 46383.