



Rex O. Blacker

November 11, 1918 - June 2, 2009

Rex O. Blacker, age 90, of Rensselaer passed away June 2, 2009 at the Jasper County Hospital. Rex was born November 11, 1918 in Crawfordsville, IN to John and Marian (Moser) Blacker. He moved to Jasper County in 1961, graduating from Remington High School and Butler University. His marriage was in Rensselaer on May 16, 1983 to Ruth M. Sanders who survives. Rex served as a navigator in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, attaining the rank of Captain. He was a business owner and for 60 years owned the Rensselaer NAPA Auto Parts store. Rex was a lifetime member of the Curtis Creek Country Club, a member of the V.F.W. Post #1279, the American Legion Post #29, the Prairie Lodge No. 125 F.&A M and a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Rensselaer. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, a daughter, Ann Kirschner of Connersville, IN, a son, Ronald (Anita) Brunton of Rensselaer, a daughter Terri (James) Pasierb of Mt. Ayr, a son, Walter Brunton of Mt. Ayr, a daughter, Tammy (Leroy) Langley of Rensselaer and a son, Brian Brunton of Mt. Ayr, 12 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren and a brother, Max (Margaret) Blacker of Texas.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
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Tribute Wall



“ Our heart is with the Ruth and family during your loss. Rex was a great friend to us and a fine gentleman with uncomparable generosity. We will sadly miss our friend at CCCC.##imported-begin## Tom & Mary Alberts##imported-end##

June 05, 2009 at 09:20 AM



“ Ann,
Sorry to hear about your father. He was so blessed to live such a long full life and now his blessings will continue in heaven.##imported-begin## Joan Mullins##imported-end##

June 04, 2009 at 01:38 PM



“ My thoughts are with the family and particularly Ann, who held her father in the highest esteem.##imported-begin## Beth Denham##imported-end##

June 04, 2009 at 11:17 AM



“ Ann,
I remember all the fun times we had at your home in Rensselaer with your mom and dad when we were growing up. Also those family parties in Remington we all enjoyed. I know you will miss your dad as I still miss mine. Take care and God Bless you. Your family will be in our prayers.
Love,
Pat & Oscar##imported-begin## Cousin Pat Reyes##imported-end##

June 04, 2009 at 10:26 AM



“ Hi, Ann,
So sorry to hear of your father's passing. We are glad to hear that he was able to get that last round of golf played and enjoyed life to its fullest. Take time for you this summer. We will see you in the fall. Cindy and Donna##imported-begin##Cindy Newton and Donna Gansert##imported-end##

June 04, 2009 at 09:37 AM



“ Rex will be missed by many people and many of his golfing buddies. The very best to his wife and family.##imported-begin##Monte Ford##imported-end##

June 03, 2009 at 08:05 PM



“ I am only one of the very many people that Rex was an absolute influence upon. By learning business techniques through him at NAPA Winamac in the fifties and sixties I was able to operate NAPA Carmel, IN. successfully for thirty years (1973-2003). I always get a thrill when I tell people I worked for Rex....I usually get a "Wow!!" from them because they know what it took to work for him and what you could achieve from it. While it is a sad time, in ways it is a good time. I know he was very frustrated with his golf game in the later years and hated the embarassement it might show. Now those types of things are over and he moves on to the next life. I sure hope I catch up with him there because there was no way I could catch up to him in this life. Rex, you had a great ride and I am very proud to call you employer, mentor, and friend. God bless....John##imported-begin##John Beeler##imported-end##

June 03, 2009 at 04:19 PM



“ Hey, Ann,
I certainly want to extend my condolences to you and your family.
Your Dad's passing only reminds me of my Mom's passing last year.
I'll be remembering you in my prayers.
Respectfully yours,

Russell R. Dart.##imported-begin##Russell R. Dart##imported-
end##

June 03, 2009 at 03:51 PM



“ I never had the honor of meeting this hero who is a member of "The
Greatest Generation" - Mr. Blacker was a patriot fighting for our
great nation in WWII - It is folks of his outstanding caliber that
defended the world and then came home and helped make America
a great place to live - God bless this gentleman and may God give
His comfort to his family during their time of loss

Neal Michal
Lt Col - U S Army - Retired
Grayling, Mich##imported-begin##LtCol Neal Michal##imported-
end##

June 03, 2009 at 08:26 AM



“ Along with my folks, Rex helped me get my start with the NAPA
Auto Parts store in Rockville, IN in 1989 and I've been here ever
since. He was very respected in the NAPA community as he was in
Rensselaer. I know he touched a lot of lives of NAPA people, and I
for one am grateful. Thanks Rex.##imported-begin##Bret
Baker##imported-end##

June 02, 2009 at 07:14 PM



“ Rex was a good friend. We had a lot of good times together. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Ken and Bethel Ford##imported-end##

June 02, 2009 at 03:58 PM