



74 year old, James R. McLaughlin of Wheatfield passed away January 24, 2017, at Franciscan Health Crown Point, Indiana.

On December 27, 1942, James was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Royden and Barbara (Blackner) McLaughlin. James married the love of his life, Deborah Matyanczyk in Gibsonburg, Ohio. James was a freight truck driver for ABF Trucking.

James served in the U.S. Army, was a member of the DeMotte American Legion Post #440, and the Wheatfield Masonic Lodge #642.

James is survived by his loving wife: Deborah, children: Roy McLaughlin, Richard McLaughlin, James McLaughlin, Dawn Foster, Bill (Diane) Bruen, Dean (Trina) McLaughlin, and Deanna Freeman, many grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren, sister: Sharon McLaughlin, and brother: Charles "Bill" (Juanita) McLaughlin.

James was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 28, 2017 at the Boersma Funeral Home, 90 East Grove St., Wheatfield, Indiana. Military & Masonic Services will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home on Saturday, January 28, 2017.

Per his wishes cremation will follow services.