

Bernard C. Cabiness

Services for Bernard C. Cabiness, 83, of Rochester and Pompano Beach, Fla., formerly of Logansport, will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Fisher Funeral Chapel.

He died Friday, Aug. 20, 2004, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Born July 22, 1921, in Cass County, he was the son of George and Ruth Conrad Cabiness. He was married May 21, 1939, in Young America, to Mary Jane Burk, who survives.

A 1939 graduate of Young America High School, and a 1946 graduate of the Joseph Bulova Watchmaking School, Mr. Cabiness was a watchmaker repairing watches and making custom jewelry for Cabiness Jewelry. He was recipient of the Meritus Service Award presented by the Indiana Watchmakers Association.

Mr. Cabiness served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He suffered a spinal injury on Feb. 6, 1945, in Rhineland, Germany, which left him paralyzed for nearly 60 years. He earned a Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars.

He was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3790, the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Tipton Masonic Lodge in Logansport, Elks Lodge #66 and Fort Wayne Valley of Scottish Rite.

He loved to fish at his home on the lake, as well as deep sea fishing. Most of all, he loved to spend time with his family.

Also surviving are two daughters, Sue Casalini and her husband, Joe, Logansport, and Jean Ann Carr, Philadelphia; one sister, Virginia Moore, Logansport; four grandchildren, Curt Carr, Indianapolis, Catherine Curtis, Fontana, Calif., Elizabeth Loposser, Logansport, and Michael Casalini, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and nine great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Doug Mankell will officiate at the services. Burial, with full military rites, will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral chapel, where Masonic services will be conducted at 7:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

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