



Forrest Petee

October 30, 1922 - October 25, 2009

ADRIAN – Forrest A. Petee, age 86, of Adrian, passed away Sunday, October 25, 2009, at his home.

Forrest was born October 30, 1922, in Blissfield, the only son of Harold and Gladys (Suydam) Petee. During World War II, Forrest served his country in the United States Army. On February 16, 1946, Forrest married Helen Powers in Tecumseh. Helen, his wife of over 63 years, survives.

As a teenager, Forrest worked at Henry Ford's farm in Macon. He later worked for Ford Motor Company in Saline where he retired in 1987. Forrest's true passion was flying. He taught many local pilots to fly while working as a flight instructor for Jacob's Flying Service at Lenawee County Airport. Forrest was also the first student to fly solo at Lenawee County Airport. He was a member of Hope Lutheran Church.

In addition to his wife, Forrest is survived by a daughter, Diana Taylor of Winter Haven, FL; a son, Harold (Jane) Petee of Tecumseh; seven grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and five great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister, Thelma Vehmeier.

The funeral service for Forrest will be held on Saturday, October 31, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Herter officiating. Burial will

follow at Lenawee Hills Memorial Park with military honors conducted by the VFW Annis Fint Post #1584. Friends may visit the family at the funeral home on Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. and on Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. You may also send condolences to the family at www.wagleyfuneralhome.com. Contributions in memory of Forrest may be made to the American Cancer Society or Hope Lutheran Church. Envelopes are available at Wagley Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Forrest Petee*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Uncle Forrest you will be missed by all, tell my mom and dad Jim and Lee as well as Grama Powers we miss and love them and someday we will have a great reunion.*

Sandy##imported-begin##Sandy Nelson##imported-end##

October 30, 2009 at 11:57 AM



“ *Diana, Mike and Family,
No words can say what we feel over the loss of a loved one, we both know that it is God's will however, the pain that we feel will pass in time. Memories and good times that were shared will come through in your time of need. Our thoughts are with you and your family. Love Bud and Lets##imported-begin##Leta Daulton and Bud Patton##imported-end##*

October 30, 2009 at 08:08 AM



“ *Forrest was a wonderful person. He had the patience of a saint when he tried to teach me to fly.*

We shared the same birthday and there was never a year growing up at the airport where I didn't hear a happy birthday from Forrest. The year I received my driver license, Forrest asked what I wanted for my birthday. I of course said I wanted a car and he got me one. I still have that plastic toy car 28 yrs later##imported-begin##Melissa Jacobs##imported-end##

October 28, 2009 at 03:24 PM



“ *Forrest was a beloved client and will surely be missed. May you find strength in the Lord during this difficult passing.##imported-begin##UNITED BANK AND TRUST-West Maumee Branch##imported-end##*

October 27, 2009 at 03:49 PM



“ *Diana, Mike and family,*

Pete and I send our deepest sympathies to you and your family. Peace be with you in your time of grief and sorrow, and may God Bless you all. May God's presence ease your trembling spirit and give you rest.##imported-begin##Pete and Nancy Smothers/Bluefield, VA##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 03:20 PM



“ Diana and Mike, words alone cannot express the deep sorrow we feel over your loss. Know that you are thought of often, our prayers go out to you and your family. Monica, Michele and the boys.##imported-begin##Monica Grzelak##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 02:01 PM



“ Diana and Mike and family,
We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Daryl and Bill Watkins##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 12:22 PM



“ We were very sad to hear Forrest had passed. He was a nice person. We were impressed with his flying and inspired by it. We thought each plane that flew over was Forrest. Now when we see a star in the night sky twinkle, we will know it is Forrest.##imported-begin##Ron & Nancy Price##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 12:01 PM



“ Jane and I enjoyed our visit with Forrest on April 4, 2009 at the Adrian Airport. It was just like old times. Forrest had a great love for flying and it showed with his dedication to his students. We are very sadden by his passing and will always cherish our memories of Forrest.##imported-begin##Mark and Jane Jacobs##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 09:55 AM



“ So sad to hear about Forrest passing. He was one of the nicest person we have ever met..We so enjoyed all the deer hunting days when he came out to hunt. We miss seeing him in Meijers having his coffee,,And most of all flying over the house in his plane,,I still wave when they fly over.He is now flying with the angles.He will be missed.##imported-begin##Jim & Tina Kings##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 09:13 AM