



## Robert E. Wise

July 6, 1921 - October 17, 2008

Robert E. Wise, 87, of Bloomfield, passed away 3:30 p.m. Friday, October 17, 2008 at his residence.

Born July 21, 1921 in Hamilton County, he was the son of Emmett and Edith (Stanbrough) Wise.

He was a lifetime farmer, he also worked for Westinghouse Electric in Bloomington from 1960-1983, He was a floral/produce vendor at the Farmers Market in Bloomington from 1984-2008 where he was known as the "Glad man."

He served his country in the Army Air Corps from 1942-1945 where he was a member of the 78th Fighter Group flying both the Mustang and Thunderbolt planes. He was credited with 131 missions over Germany. He attended Purdue University and was a member of New Hope Baptist Church in rural Owen County.

Surviving relatives include: three sons, Roger Wise of Bloomfield, Raymond and wife Pam of Bloomington, and Ronald and wife Judy of Bloomfield; one brother, Phillip Wise of Cicero; three grandchildren, Krista Turner of Columbus, Ryan Wise of Pendleton, and Megan Wise of Bloomington; four great, grandchildren, Owen Emerson Wise, Nolan Ray Wise, Brooklyn Hendershot, Jake Turner, and Jordan Shipley; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charlotte Ann (Langolf) Wise on September 12, 2002 after 56 years of marriage, being married on January 1,

1946, his parents, and one brother, Kenneth Wise.

Funeral services will be conducted 2:00 p.m. Monday, October 20, 2008 at New Hope Baptist Church in rural Owen County, with Rev. Tom Dixon officiating. Interment will be in Calvertville cemetery in rural Bloomfield.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Jenkins & Sons Funeral Home in Bloomfield and 1 hour prior to services Monday at the church.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions are preferred to the New Hope Baptist Church.

Online condolences to the family are available at [www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com).

# Tribute Wall

DE

“ *Robert E. Wise*

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**Don Ellison** - October 21, 2008 at 06:53 PM

DT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Every time we see gladiolas it will remind us of your Dad and I will always remember the pretty bouquet that he gave to me. God bless.*

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**Denny and Linda Terril** - October 19, 2008 at 07:18 PM

LW

“ *I knew Bob only from the Farmers Market, but I always loved to see him and buy some glads (my favorites) and talk with him. I would often come to the Wednesday market especially because it was less crowded and we could talk a little more.*  
*Bob was so obviously a kind and gentle man, and so full of good humor. I am partially disabled, and he always inquired after my health and seemed genuinely interested in how I was.*  
*I send my condolences and prayers for his family. I will very much miss seeing him and his lovely flowers at market, but I know he has found eternal beauty with God.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Lisa*

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**Lisa Williams** - October 19, 2008 at 04:35 PM

AD

“ Dear Cousins, I am so sorry to hear that the cancer was too much for Uncle Bob to bear. He was blessed to not suffer any longer. I am so glad we got to be together at the Wise reunion this summer and share family stories. It was great to see your dad and see that his "Wise humor" was still in place. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time. I'm sorry that I can't be there in person to share your sorrow in person. Ann & family

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**Ann DiJulio** - October 19, 2008 at 01:11 PM

SL

“ That special corner of market will always remind me of dear "Glad Man" and his glorious flowers. It was always my first stop. I was lucky to see Bob at market three weeks ago, and gave him a wild, wool hat I'd knitted but more importantly told him I loved him. He gave me a spectacular bouquet. How wonderfully sweet, our treasured Glad Man.

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**Sandy Lynch** - October 19, 2008 at 11:48 AM

PC

“ Thanks for bringing WISE ACRES to both The Farmers Markets over the years...you were light and love to so many. Gratitude for Glads galore in your distinctive patriotic pots. Sincere salute to Robert Wise from Pauline and Ned

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**Pauline & Edwin Caldwell** - October 19, 2008 at 09:59 AM

NS

“ *Wish I could be there with you as this is a time for family to be together. We draw strength from one another and are able to share our happy memories. I will be there beside you in spirit and thought. I can't say how glad I am that I was able to see Uncle Bob in Sept. I knew that was the last time I would see him and it was so hard not to cry. But he left me with a big smile and a hug which I will cherish and remember. I love you Uncle Bob! I'll leave a candle burning for you. Nanci*

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**Nanci Smith** - October 18, 2008 at 11:46 PM