



## Ronald Keith Bland

February 2, 1934 - October 13, 2016

Ronald Keith Bland, 82, formerly of Solsberry, passed away at 2:42 a.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at Owen Valley Health Campus in Spencer.

An avid farmer and outdoorsman, Keith grew up on the family farm near Newark and graduated from Solsberry High School in 1952. He was happiest working and living on his own farm on Bland Road, where he resided until October 2013, when he moved to assisted living in Bloomington. In August 2014 at the age of 80, Keith moved to Owen Valley Health Campus in Spencer. He was a deeply religious man who donated generously to charities in order to follow the example of Christ. A man who chose to live quietly and simply, he never lost his youthful sense of humor even when his body and memory began to fail.

He will be missed by friends and family: Sister, Linda Benjamin-Miles (Butch) of Austin, TX; uncle, Clifford Trowbridge (Margaret) of Greenwood; Sister-in-Law, Sherry Bland of Solsberry. He is also survived by five nieces and nephews; Doug Bland of Solsberry, Dianna Bland Hancock of Bloomington, Dirk Bland of Bloomington, Eric Bippen of Indianapolis and Christine Peters of Fuquay-Varina, NC.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ralph in 1993, his mother, May (Trowbridge) Bland in 2008, his younger brother, Kenny in 2000 and his infant

brother, Ralph Leon in 1932.

Funeral services will be conducted at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at Jenkins Funeral Home in Bloomfield. Interment will follow in Newark cemetery in rural Solsberry.

Public visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

The family asks that all memorial contributions be made to the Newark Cemetery Fund.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Newark Cemetery

Newark Road  
Solsberry, IN 47459

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 15. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Lester Jenkins and Sons Funeral Home Inc. - Bloomfield  
421 South Seminary Street  
Bloomfield, IN 47424  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sending loving thoughts to the family. May precious memories comfort you.*

*Love,*

*Brenda and Jim Steekley*

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**Brenda Steekey** - October 15, 2016 at 06:57 PM

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“ *I always like Mr. Bland and was impressed by his humility and his quiet walk with the Lord. I was worried about him when I could see him failing.*

*He has a very high place in heaven now because of his humility. His life in many ways was an example we should always follow.*

*We will meet again.*

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**Roger Axe** - October 15, 2016 at 03:29 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Keith Bland.*



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October 14, 2016 at 01:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Keith Bland.*



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October 14, 2016 at 11:43 AM



“ *Sherry, Dirk, and Nikki,*

*You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,  
Candis Jackson*

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**Candis Jackson** - October 13, 2016 at 03:34 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Ronald Keith Bland*



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**Lester Jenkins and Sons Funeral Home Inc.** - October 13, 2016 at 12:00 PM