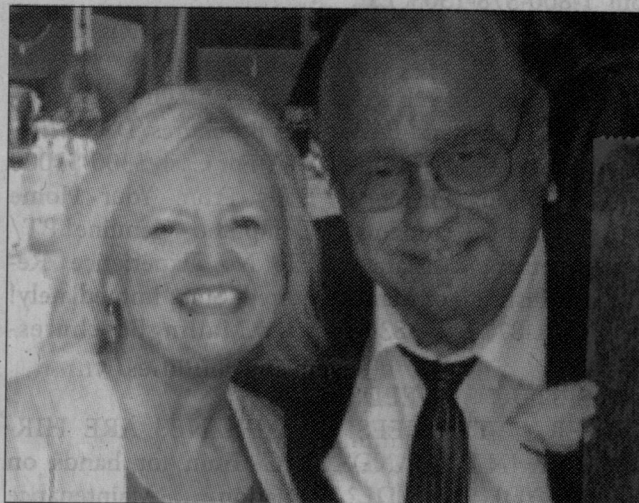


Couple to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary



Robert and Teresa (Borchers) Puthoff, of 2480 Wells Drive, Sidney, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 2.

The Puthoffs will have an anniversary celebration, hosted by their children, from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. April 27 at the Minster Knights of Columbus Hall in Minster. There will be an open house from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. that day.

The former Teresa Borchers is the daughter of Frank and Eileen Borchers, who are both deceased. Bob is the son of Ben and Bertha Puthoff, who are also deceased.

The couple was united in marriage on May 2, 1964, at 9 a.m.. The Rev. Clement Borchers officiated the ceremony, which was held at St. Michael Catholic Church in Fort Loramie, on a beautiful, warm, sunny day. Mass servers were Henry Borchers, Lawrence Borchers and Jerome Borchers, all brothers of the bride.

The maid of honor was Irene (Borchers) Sherman, sister of the bride. The best man was Donald Puthoff, brother of the groom. Other members of the wedding party were Bonnie (Puthoff) Turner, twin sister of the groom; Phyllis (Borchers) Salyers, sister of the bride; Frank Turner, brother-in-law of the groom; James Sherman, brother-in-law of the bride.

Bob and Teresa met on Friday, April 7, 1961, at Eagle's Park in Minster, where they danced together for the first time. Bob asked Teresa if he could take her home. They dated and danced together ever since.

The Puthoffs have five children. Their three daughters are Kathy (Puthoff) Cavinder of Sidney; Brenda (Puthoff) McIver of Sidney; Amy (Puthoff) and Kurt Hilgefort of Minster. Their two sons are David and Anne (Prenger) Puthoff of Minster; Mark and Jennifer (Ondera) Puthoff of Troy. The Puthoffs also have 27 grandchildren.

Teresa is a retired teacher of 25 years, having taught the last 15 years at Fort Loramie Elementary School.

Bob is a retired teacher of 35 years from Upper Valley Joint Vocational School in Piqua. Prior to teaching, he was a tool maker at Wayne Trail Tool and Die Company for 11 years.

The Puthoffs lived in Fort Loramie for the first 10 years of their marriage. They moved to Sidney when they took a job at the Shelby County Children's Home from 1974 to 1976, where they were the "parents" of 18 teenagers, as well as their five young children, who ranged in age from 2 to 9.

The Puthoffs are members of the Holy Angels Catholic Church in Sidney.

Bob and Teresa enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren. They have a lot of parties and sleep-overs. Bob and Teresa go to Mass every day Holy Angels Catholic Church, followed by breakfast at Bob Evan's with friends. They also enjoy traveling. They have traveled to most of the states, as well as to Europe several times. Teresa volunteers at the Women's (Elizabeth's New Life) Center in Sidney and the Right to Life Center in Sidney. Bob enjoys fishing and gardening.