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Wilbert L. Mescher

Wilbert L. Mescher, 77, formerly of McCartyville, currently of Seattle, Wash., died at 5:56 p.m., Tuesday, July 24, 2007, in Seattle, Wash.

He was born Sept. 29, 1929, in Yorkshire, a son of Joseph and Katherine (Walterbusch) Mescher, and they preceded him in death.

On June 29, 1929, he married Carol L. Bergman in Osgood, and she preceded him in death on April 26, 1991.

He is survived by three daughters, Ann Mescher of Seattle, Wash., Karen (Michael) Ballas of Fort Loramie, Marlene (Wolf) Ritchek of Princeton, N.J.; a son, Mark (Sari) Mescher of Newton, Mass.; three sisters, Norma (Ivo) Brackman of Fort Recovery; Rita Siefring of Burkettsville, Alfreda (Glen) Anderson of San Antonia, Texas; four brothers, Richard (Caroline) Mescher of North Star, Linus (Margaret) Mescher of Portland, Ind., Alfred (Janet) Mescher of Troy, Joseph (Mary Ann) Mescher of St. Henry; a brother-in-law, Len Otte of Cassella and a sister-in-law, Olivia Mescher of Osgood.

In addition to his parents and wife, two brothers, Vincent and Norbert, and a sister, Loretta Otte, preceded him in death.

He was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in McCartyville, the Osgood American Legion and National Rifle Association.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served during the Korean War.

He was a graduate of The Ohio State University, attended the University of Dayton, earned his masters degree from Wright State University and attended the University of Illinois.

He was a retired teacher and farmer, having taught two years in St. Marys, two years in Coldwater and 28 years in Sidney.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. Patrick Welsh officiating. Burial followed at St.

Martin Cemetery in Osgood. .

Online condolences may be expressed at www.hogenkampfh.com.