Obituaries

David Lee Engel

(October 6, 1938 - January 28, 2010)

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David Lee Engel, age 71, of Valparaiso, passed away Thursday, January 28th at Porter Hospital in Valparaiso. He is survived by his wife Clytis, and their three children: Jeffrey (Aimee) Engel of Noblesville, IN, Heather Engel, of Valparaiso, and Michael B. Engel, of San Francisco, CA; three grandchildren: Ryan Charnetzky, Andrew Charnetzky and Alison Engel; two sisters: Carolyn (Paul) Homan of Union Mills, and Cheryl (Reginald) Krueger of Kouts; a niece, Cathleen Homan and a nephew, Charles Homan. David was born to his late parents, Gordan and Dorothy (Lee) Engel on October 6, 1938. He was past owner and manager of Engel's Market in Wanatah for 24 years, and more recently employed by Wal-Mart in Valparaiso. David was a graduate of Wanatah High School and Indiana University School of Business in Bloomington, IN. While at Indiana University, he was honored to be selected as a member of the I.U. Singing Hoosiers and privileged to become a charter member of the Iota Delta chapter of Chi Phi fraternity. David enjoyed many meaningful and enduring friendships from this group of men and their families. These friends, along with numerous other friends and relatives, were a source of strength and encouragement to him during his illness. A special source of comfort to David was his companion cat, Carlos, who was never far from his side. In 1964, he completed United States Marine Corps Reserve training at Parris Island, SC. David and his wife; Clytis (Matthews) were married in Jarratt, VA on July 16, 1966. Private services are to be held with interment at Angelcrest Cemetery, Valparaiso. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Independent Cat Society, PO Box 735, Westville, IN 46391, or via internet at www.catsociety.org.