CLARENCE B. 'DOC' GILVIN

June 30, 1944 - Oct. 31, 2004

Clarence B. "Doc" Gilvin, 60, Kokomo, died 1:50 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, 2004, at Howard Regional Health System. He was born June 30, 1944, in Dayton, Ohio, a son of Clarence and Goldie (Bennett) Gilvin. He married Carolyn "Sue" Simmons Sept. 1, 1973, in Kokomo, and she survives.

He served in the U.S. Army from approximately 1963 to 1965. After leaving the Army, he enrolled in pipe trade school and went on to work for the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 440 for 25 years, retiring in 1989.

He loved watching all kinds of racing events, especially the late Dale Earnhart, and he also enjoyed shopping.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Carolyn "Sue" (Simmons) Gilvin of Kokomo; five daughters, Mary Ann Piper (husband Darry) of Bunker Hill, Shelly Harville (husband Andy) of Kokomo, Lisa Shepherd (husband David) of Russiaville, Kim Powell of Peru, and Tammy Shuey (husband Matt) of Peru; a brother, Roger Gilvin (wife Sharon) of Kokomo; a sister, Shirley Marks of Kokomo; 10 grandchildren, Jake and Sammy Shuey, Josh and DJ Shepherd, Tyler Powell, Bethany Severson, Cortney Brown, Taylor Hite, Trelanie and Toria Piper; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Droke; a brother, Kenneth Gilvin; and a grandson, Dalton Smith.

Services will be held privately by the family. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720; or the American Heart Association, 208 LaSalle St., Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60604. Sunset Memory Garden Funeral home is assisting the family with arrangements.

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