



## Herbert L. "Herb" Searles

May 14, 1931 - March 13, 2020

Mr. Herbert LeRoy Searles, 88, passed away Friday, March 13, 2020, at Homewood Health Campus in Lebanon, Indiana. He was born in Huntington County, Indiana, on May 14, 1931, a son of the late Alva Lee and Mildred Elizabeth (Buzzard) Searles.

He married Neysa Marie (Earnest) Searles on June 27, 1952 in Marion, Indiana. She survives.

Herbert was raised in Huntington County, where he graduated from Jefferson High School. Following school, he served his country honorably in the United States Army from July 1951 to 1953.

In 1961 the Searles family moved to Lebanon and Mr. Searles opened the Brunt's Clothing Store. He also was a realtor and during retirement, he worked as a custodian at Harney Elementary School.

For many years Herb was active in the Lebanon Elks Lodge and the Masonic Lodge. In his free time, he enjoyed golfing, fishing, woodworking and gardening. His greatest joy came from being a husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Survivors include:

Wife: Neysa Searles of Lebanon, IN

Five Children: David (Barry) Searles – Baton Rouge, LA

Lindley (Teri) Searles – Indianapolis, IN

Douglas (MaryBeth) Searles - Lebanon, IN

Janet (Kevin) O'Brien – Eckerty, IN

Kris Talbott – Lebanon, IN

Twelve Grandchildren: Paige (Kevin) Walker

Morgan Searles

Grace (Michael) Foster

Adam (Lauren) Searles

Mitchell Searles

Tasha Searles

Danielle (Joseph) Dirlam

Tyler Searles

Dustin (Laura) O'Brien

Leslie (Clint) Stewart

Brittany Talbott

Nolan Talbott

14 Great Grandchildren

Siblings: Gene (Pat) Searles – Huntington, IN

Ray (Jane) Searles – Bluffton, IN

Mable (Bob) Burnsworth – Huntington, IN

Ruth Shenefield – Huntington, IN

Sisters-In-Law: Peggy Searles – Huntington, IN

Kim Searles – Franklin, IN

Herb was preceded in death by his brothers; Glen Searles, Joe Searles,

Roger Searles, and Carl Searles; sisters, Mary Louise Anderson, Barb Searles, and Carlette Searles; and brother-in-law, Maurice Shenefield.

Private Funeral Services are planned for Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at Myers Mortuary in Lebanon, Indiana. Visitation will also be private. Interment will follow services at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lebanon.

Memorials may be made in his honor to the Boy Scouts of America and/or Lebanon Senior Center.

# Cemetery Details

## **Oak Hill Cemetery**

935 East Washington Street  
Lebanon, IN 46052

# Tribute Wall



“ *Herbert L. "Herb" Searles*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *so sorry for loss. Herb was a good man. He helped my wife pam and I buy our home 36 years ago...we still live there!*

**Chuck Leucht** - March 20, 2020 at 06:51 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I have many good memories of my friendship with Herb over the years.*

**Delbert Davis Jr** - March 18, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Herbert L. "Herb" Searles.*



March 17, 2020 at 03:54 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss, Lin and Family. I never met him but Herb seems like a wonderful father, grandfather and great grandfather.*  
*-Bryan and Tracey Norman*

**Bryan Norman** - March 17, 2020 at 03:08 PM

 Lisa  
Hutton

“ *Neysa and the rest of the Searles family,*

*A big part of my happiest childhood memories were spent at Herb and Neysa's house. I can remember asking my mom so many times if I could go down to your house, not to mention the times I didn't ask and just showed up anyway! I never remember being turned away and I always remember leaving feeling loved. I will be praying for you all as you say your goodbyes! Love Lisa (Livengood) Hutton*

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**Lisa Hutton** - March 17, 2020 at 03:04 PM

DW

“ *Lindley, I am so sorry for your loss.*

*Deanna Walker*

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**Deanna Walker** - March 17, 2020 at 11:37 AM

DS

“ *I enjoyed having him as a little league coach, and later doing business at the store. Sincere sympathy!*



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**Dennis Smith** - March 17, 2020 at 09:54 AM

JS

“ *Naysa , I just wanted to say how sorry I was to hear of Herb's passing. I always enjoyed seeing you and him in the office. He was one of my favorites.we went way back to the old Brunt's days. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.*

*Dr. Servies*

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**JR servies** - March 16, 2020 at 07:12 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Herbert L. "Herb" Searles.*



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March 16, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Herbert L. "Herb" Searles.*



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March 16, 2020 at 04:19 PM