

A retired glass company worker, Max E. Kerns, 66, who resided at 1120 Ridgewood Lane, died suddenly at 11:30 p.m. Friday at Caylor-Nickel Medical Center.

After retirement, Mr. Kerns had moved to Bluffton from Ridgeville in 1992 and was employed as door attendant since 1993 at Caylor-Nickel Medical Center.

He retired in July 1988 after 37 1/2 years at Anchor Hocking Glass Co. in Winchester and was employed as a courier for Peoples Loan & Trust at Winchester for six years.

Mr. Kerns was a veteran of U.S. Army service during the Korean War.

He was born at Portland March 7, 1933 to Glenn and Esther Foltz Kerns. His marriage at Portland on Sept. 27, 1953 was to June Harshman, who survives.

Others surviving are a daughter, Lori Kerns of Bluffton, and six sisters, Mrs. Norma Cash of Pennville, Mrs. Joe (Joan) Beeber of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Bob (Mary) Krueckeberg of Kendallville, Martha Kerns of Westminster, Colo., Mrs. Richard (Sharon) Sommers of Laurel, Md., and Mrs. Ed (Glenna) White of Fishers.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, where calling hours are today from 2 to 8 p.m.

Rev. Cindy Osgood will officiate and burial will be in the IOOF Cemetery at Pennville. Graveside rites will be performed by American Legion Post 111.

Memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

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