



## William I Pierce

February 5, 1923 - February 2, 2011

William I. Pierce, age 87, of Merrillville passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011.

Bill was a veteran of WW II - U. S. Marine Corps. He was a graduate of Missouri University and the former owner of Alliance Lumber Co. He also retired as Assistant Director of the Physical Plant at Valparaiso University. He was a member of the Marine Corps League - Howling Mad Detachment. Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Vera and son, Jon. He is survived by 3 children - Jeff Pierce of Crown Point, Lezlie (Robert) Proctor of Boonville, IN and Robert "Punko" (Kathy) Pierce of Ogden Dunes; 4 grandchildren, Harry (Angela) Pierce of Fowler, IN, Thaddeus Pierce (Fiancee Esther White) of Crown Point, Molly (Drew) Wilkerson of Benton Harbor, MI, Brooks Proctor of Bloomington, IN. 4 great grandchildren: Connor, Quinn, Fintan and Annora Mae.

A Memorial Visitation will be held on Monday, Feb. 7, 2011 from 2-6 pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. A Memorial Service will be held at 6 pm. Rev. Thomas Mischler officiating. Cremation will precede the service. Contributions may be made to Marine Toys For Tots, 18251 Quantico Gateway Dr., Triangle, VA 22172. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Lezlie,  
Please know that you and your family have been in our thoughts  
and prayers.  
I hope his spirit rests on that little piece of heaven on Obabikon Bay.  
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“ Thinking of you all and keeping you in our prayers. Love, Brad and  
Carolyn###imported-begin##Brad and Carolyn Killebrew###imported-  
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February 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Bill, We at Toys for Tots will miss you immensely. You show such  
kindness and thoughtfulness. Now you are needed in a much more  
special place. God Bless You! Semper Fi , Patti###imported-  
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February 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Jeff, Punko, Lezlie, Harry, Thad, Molly and Brooks,  
I am so sorry about your father's passing. Your dad  
was a good dad, grandfather and great grandfather.  
He will be missed by all of us.  
Love,  
Paulette###imported-begin##Paulette Pierce###imported-end##

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February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM