

Name: Elmer M. RAY
 Sex: Male
 Father: Francis Marion RAY (1856-1940)
 Mother: Rose A. HARTER (1865-1935)

Individual Facts

Birth	25 Dec 1902	Collins, Whitley County, Indiana
Death	19 Aug 1986 (age 83)	Columbia City, Whitley County, Indiana
Burial	21 Aug 1986 (age 83)	South Park Cemetery, Whitley County, Indiana

Notes

He was a World War II veteran of the US Army Air Force.

1930 census: Columbia Twp., Whitley County, Indiana, ED 92-6, sheet 10A, lines 21-23 (Hanna Street, Columbia City)
 Ray, Frank 74 / Rosie 65 / Elmer F. 23

1940 census: Smith Twp., Whitley County, Indiana, ED 92-13, sheet 10A, lines 28-29 (rural Churubusco)

Ray, Elmer M. 37, single, farmer / Alvin A. 39, brother, divorced, farm laborer

Mullin-Kille 1948 Columbia City Indiana ConSurvey Directory, page 249

Ray, Elmer, employed at Weatherhead Co., resides 512 W. Spencer St.

Columbia City (IN) 1954 City Directory by Directory Service Inc., page 98

Ray, Elmer, 512 W. Spencer St., Columbia Products (Division of Weatherhead Co.)

Columbia City (IN) 1960 City Directory by Directory Service Inc., page 74

Ray, Elmer, 512 W. Spencer St., factory worker at Weatherhead Co.

Columbia City (IN) 1962 City Directory by Directory Service Inc., page 72

Ray, Elmer, 512 W. Spencer St., Weatherhead Co.

Elmer M. Ray, 83, native of Collins

Elmer M. Ray, 83, formerly of 512 W. Spencer St., Columbia City, died at 12:50 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, 1986, at Columbia City Nursing Home.

Mr. Ray was born Dec. 25, 1902, at Collins, a son of Frances (Frank) and Rosa Harter Ray. He was educated at Collins School and Columbia City High School.

Mr. Ray was employed as a general farmer in the Collins and Churubusco areas until he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Force on July 22, 1942. He served with the Base Unit 2217 of the Army Air Force at Camp Atterbury.

He was discharged from the service on June 1, 1945, and returned to Columbia City where he began employment with the Weatherhead Company. He retired on Jan. 5, 1968, from the production hose line after 23 years of service.

Mr. Ray was a member of American Legion Post 98 and the Columbia City Eagles Lodge.

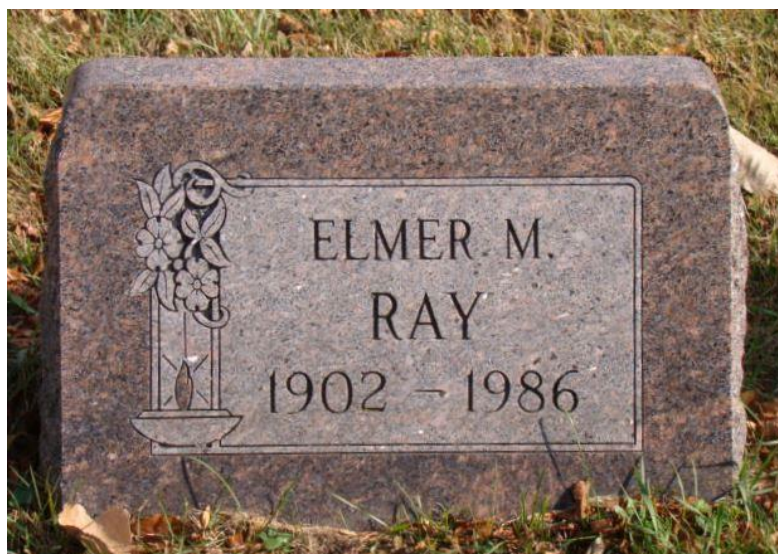
Surviving are two nephews: James L. Ray of R 3, Columbia City and Alvin Ray Jr. of Columbia City; three nieces: Mrs. William Messer and Jeanetta Ray of Mount Morris, Ill., and Mrs. Wilma White of Indianapolis.

Four brothers: Homer, Harry, Heber and Alvin, and two sisters, Mrs. Alta Phillips and Mrs. Inez Stroh, are deceased.

The funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Smith and Sons Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Phillip Blake officiating. Calling at the funeral home is today, Wednesday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Interment will be at South Park Cemetery.

The funeral detail of the Columbia City American Legion Post will present military honors at South Park.



Elmer M. Ray obituary

Elmer M. Ray gravestone in SouthPark Cemetery.

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