



# FRIENDS IN THE GLEN

**George and Irene Slaughter**

George and Irene Slaughter were both born and raised in Northern Indiana. They met at church in LaPorte, Indiana and started dating in high school and have been married for 55 years. Irene worked at Whirlpool Corp. and State Farm Insurance Company to help put George through college. George's main interest was in the field of engineering and aviation.

He received the following: Associate Degree in Aviation Electronics and a B.S. Degree in Engineering – Purdue University, an MBA Degree (Masters of Business Administration) – University of Missouri, while working full time and going to school in the evenings, and an Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic License (A & P) from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Once their children arrived, Irene chose to be a stay-at-home Mom. Her daughter's friends called her "Mrs. Cleaver" because she was always there for them. She has always loved every aspect of keeping up a home; cooking, cleaning, sewing, baking, even as a child. Her dad called her his "Chief Cook and Bottle Washer" once her mother opened up her own business and Irene had to help out at home. After the children were all in school, Irene became a full time volunteer in the church, the schools and the community. While it may not sound glamorous, Irene found her true calling and passion for life in caring for others in need. She volunteered at a local soup kitchen feeding the needy for 16 years and once again got to put into practice her love of cooking. She was Lay Leader of their Kansas City church for many years and gave sermons at least 3 times a year.

George's various jobs gave them the opportunity to live in several different places; the San Francisco, California area, where he worked for Western Electric; Kansas City, MO, working for Trans World Airlines for 20 years; and Louisville, KY, where he worked for United Parcel Service – Airline Division helping to develop an air division to add to their trucking business.

The Slaughters moved to Bailey's Glen in October of 2013 from a home in Charlestown, IN., living on a hill overlooking the beautiful Ohio River and directly across the river from Louisville. Their two youngest grandchildren were the little magnets that drew them to this area. Their daughter, Jennifer, an independent marketer, lives in Mooresville. Also, the milder weather and better winters were a real drawing card too.

They also have a son, Bob, who works for American Airlines in Tulsa, OK. Their younger son, David, lives in Kansas City, MO. where he owned a window and door business. The Slaughters have 6 grandchildren, ages 14-29, and 3 GREAT grandchildren, ages 1-6.

They enjoy traveling and have made many trips across the sea! They go on a Model T car tour with friends from Indiana every year, and enjoy antique trains and lighthouses as well with these same friends. Of course their grandchildren's sports keep them busy during the summer as do their frequent visits to their sons' homes.

Irene spent 22 years sewing crafts for and with her sister to sell at one of Indiana's largest juried craft shows, Amish Acres. They worked on them all year long for the 4 day show. George volunteered at the soup kitchen once he retired as well as working with his retired UPS friends repairing homes for the needy and/or disabled.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

Irene shared the following C.S. Lewis quote with us!

**"You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream"**