From the Newton County (Indiana) Enterprise from Oct. 23 to Nov. 22, 2012:

Ronald Lee Collard, 72, of Livingston, was born Dec. 5, 1939, in Brook, to parents, Edmund J. Collard and Dorothy N. Parks. He later met and courted his sweetheart, Solita Ann South. On June 7, 1975, they were joined in holy union as husband and wife in Thayer. He joined the United States Air Force and served this nation during the Vietnam war. Ronald worked while he was in the Air Force as the Aircraft Maintenance Superintendent and it was there that he spent 24 years of service. He was out of the service for six months and later went to work for the civil service for another 20 years doing the same job as he did in the Air Force. He was a loving husband, father and beloved brother-in-law and passed away on Oct. 8, 2012, at his home in Livingston, Texas. Ronald is survived by his wife, Solita Collard, of Livingston; daughter and son-in-law, Monette Sue and Sean Hayes; daughter, Rhonda Lee Mardis; son and daughter-in-law, Bret E. and Nyna Burright; son and daughter-in-law, Toby M. and Jen Burright; daughter, Cindy D. Burright; daughter and son-in-law, Brigitte L. and James Baucum; son and daughter-in-law, Clinton and Rebel Taylor; 20 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law, Melody and Stony Brooks, of Lake Village; sister, Carolyn Wicks, of Crawfordville, Ind.; brother, Buddy Parks, of Monticello,; nephew, Jeffrey Zak and wife, Denise; sister-in-law, Mickey Read and numerous other relatives and friends. Services