

JOHN V. (JACK) DIEBEL

1891 - 1985

Jack Diebel, age 93, of Pigeon passed away Friday, July 19 at Michigan Veterans Facility, Grand Rapids.

Mr. Diebel was born on September 3, 1891 in Pigeon, son of the late Johann and Louise (Leyrer) Diebel. On October 31, 1926, he was united in marriage to Clara Brown in Kilmanagh.

Mr. Diebel was a WWI Army Veteran where he served in France. He was a charter member of the Tip of the Thumb V.F.W. Post No. 2236, Pigeon. He owned and operated a hardware business in Pigeon for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Clara, one daughter, Mrs. John (Verna) Thede, Sebewaing; one grandson, Michael Thede, Bay Port; three granddaughters, Mrs. Timothy (Sandra) Irion, Sebewaing, Mrs. Rodney (Kathie) Kuhl, Bad Axe, and Mrs. Steve (Patti) Gremel, Bay Port; eight great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Lena Rogers, Coral Gables, Fla., and Mrs. Louise Smith, Sebewaing. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Sanford, Hazen and Frank and three sisters, Gertrude, Frieda and Julia.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 22 at 11 a.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Rev. Lawrence Brooks, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church officiated with burial in the Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon. Veterans memorial service was held be Sunday at 7:30 p.m.