RONALD J. BECK 1932 - 1997

Ronald J. Beck, 64 of Olivet, died Tuesday, April 15, at home after a long illness. He was born Aug. 20, 1932, son of Walter and Freda (Spiehs) Beck in Pigeon. He graduated from Pigeon High School in 1950. He later graduated from the University of Michigan in 1958 and received a masters degree in 1959. He later

received a doctorate's degree in education from Wayne State University in 1965. He and Florence Schulze were married in August 1957. Mr. Beck served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and had been an Olivet

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Surviving are his wife; one son, Roderick Beck of Hoboken, NJ. Burial was in the Olivet Cemetery.