Schuette, Carl

Carl Ernst Schuette, 76, of Elkton, passed away suddenly on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003, of injuries received in an auto accident. Carl was born Nov. 22, 1926 at the home of his parents, the late Chris and Sophia (Bergman) Schuette, in Oliver Township, the same home where he was currently living. On Feb. 7, 1948, he was united in marriage to Caroline Rosenthal at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. Carl's life was happy and full. He loved his Lord, his family, his many friends and his tractors. He was a lifelong member of Cross Lutheran Church, where he held many positions over the years. He served as a member of the Sebewaing Sugar Beet Board for several terms and was a long time member of the Hart-Parr/Oliver Collectors Association. Carl was an innovative farmer, growing potatoes, peas and sunflower seeds and then selling them locally. In the winter, Carl stayed busy in his shop building, welding and inventing, or he was out plowing snow, something he did for more than 40 years. He is survived by his wife, Caroline; two sons, Chuck and his wife, Mary, of Owendale, Chris of Pigeon; two daughters, Connie Herford and her husband, Neil, of Elkton, Cheryl Sturm and her husband, Randy, of Pigeon; six grandchildren, Angie Felton and her husband, Jim, of Mount Pleasant, Jody Herford of Chicago, Ill., and her fiance, Ken Wagner, Grant Herford and his wife, Jen, of Norwalk, Conn., Martin Sturm and Jenny Sturm of Pigeon, Austin Schuette of Owendale; four great-grandsons, Zachary, Taylor, Sloan, and Turner Felton; two sisters, Hulda Baur of Bay Port, Olga Renn and her husband, Fred, of Pigeon; sisters-in-law, Viola Shuette, Gladys Shuette, and Ann Shuette, all of Pigeon; three brothers-in-law, Joe Rosenthal and his wife, Florence, Walt Rosenthal and his wife, Millie, Martin Rosenthal and his wife, Jane; one sister-in-law, Sophie Van Hevel and her husband, Maurice; and many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were seven brothers, Walter, Albert, Otto, Ernest, Edward, Herman and Ervin. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, at Cross Lutheran Church. The Rev. Del Hudson, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 tonight and from 2 until 9 p.m. on Tuesday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, and at the church after 10 a.m. on Wednesday. Words of condolence may be sent to the family at www.CFCElkton.com. Memorials may be given to his church.