

Schipinski, Roy A.

Mr. Roy A. Schipinski, 100, of Caro and formerly of Filion, passed away Oct. 31, 2009 at the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility in Caro.

He was born Jan. 19, 1909 in Sigel Township, to the late Matthew and Sophia (Goniwicha) Schipinski.

He married Agnes Kula on June 27, 1936 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. She preceded him in death on April 28, 2004.

In 2004, Roy came to live with his son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Barbara, in Caro. Then, for health reasons, he resided at the Tuscola Medical Care Facility for the last two and a half years.

Roy attended a country school. He farmed with his family until 1986. He was a member of the Michigan Milk Producers and the Farm Bureau. He was a lifelong member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rapson. He enjoyed gardening and visiting with family and friends.

Roy is survived by two sons, Robert G. Schipinski and his wife, Barbara, of Caro, and Ronald J. Schipinski and his wife, Rita, of Hot Springs, Ark.; eight grandchildren, Michael Schipinski of Indiana, Lucinda Rice and her husband, Kevin, of Georgetown, Ky., Star Rogers and her husband, Jeremy, of Grovetown, Ind., Brenda Baker and her husband, James, of Campton, Ky., Rebecca Fowler and her husband, Daniel, of Millington, Laurie Schipinski of Honolulu, Hawaii, Ronald Schipinski of Washington State, and Christopher Schipinski of Virginia Beach; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Roy was preceded in death by one son, Louis Schipinski and his wife, Norma; three brothers, Frank, Pete and Matthew Schipinski; eight sisters, Mary Konkle, Sophie Romzek, Marcella Ventline, Louise Markey, Frances Togger, Caroline Schipinski, Sabina Zacharias and Anna Cornett; and one grandson, Patrick Schipinski.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rapson. The Rev. Robert Howe, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly, and from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church only. There will be a parish vigil service at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Memorials are requested to the Tuscola Medical Care Facility or Heartland Hospice.