

## **Hund, Francis A.**

Mr. Francis A. Hund, 96, of Ubly, died Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2009 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe after a lengthy illness.

Francis was born Feb. 20, 1913 in Austin Center to the late John and Rosa (Schmidt) Hund. Francis was united in marriage to Opal G. Peters Sept. 27, 1934, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Argyle. She preceded him in death Jan. 8, 2004.

Francis was a 1931 graduate of Ubly High School and furthered his education at Cleary Business College in Ypsilanti.

He was involved with the formation of the Thumb Electric Cooperative, where he was employed as director of customer services for 40 years, retiring in 1976. He was instrumental in bringing electricity to the farmers of this area by obtaining right-of-way for the newly-formed Thumb Electric.

Francis served the village of Ubly as a councilman from 1946 to 1948 and served as Mayor of Ubly for 28 years from 1948 until 1976. He was a past member of the Ubly Lions Club and the Ubly Community Club. Francis also served on the Ubly Board of Education for a number of years. He served on the committee to raise funds to construct Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe and served on the Hospital Board of Incorporators for a number of years. He continues as an honorary member of the Board of Incorporators. Francis also helped raise funds for the Ubly Senior Center in Ubly, where a room is named for him.

In 2002, Francis established the Francis and Opal Hund Scholarship for an Ubly High School graduate. He was very proud of this contribution to the Ubly Community.

Francis was a lifelong member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Ubly.

Francis is survived by his children, Ferris S. Hund and his wife, Patricia, of Shelby Township, Robert F. Hund and his wife, Shirley, of Sterling Heights, Joan M. Bieniek and her husband, Ron, of Lexington, Janet M. Ericson and her husband, Charles, of Fort Myers, Fla., Mary Jane Sweeney and her husband, Kenneth, of Ubly, James A. Hund and his wife, Mary Ellen, of Hastings; and daughter-in-law, Maureen Hund Scully of Weeki Wachee, Fla. He is also survived by 24 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. He is also survived by his brother, Philip (Lillian) Hund of Rochester.

Francis was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Margaret Ann; a son, Mark S. Hund; three sisters, Mary Kolar, Cecilia Cook and Clara Peters; three brothers, Henry, John and Jake; one grandson, Steven Hund; and one great-grandson, Francis Hund.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28 at St. John Catholic Church in Ubly. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the church only. There will be a parish vigil service at 3 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Huron County Community Foundation in the name of Francis and Opal Hund Scholarship Fund or the Alzheimer's Association.