

Rumptz, Clarence E.

Clarence E. Rumptz, 94, of Ubly, passed away on Saturday, April 21, 2007, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe. Clarence was born on April 7, 1913 in Tyre to the late Joseph and Catherine (Pelot) Rumptz. He married Vivian Leppek on November 20, 1937 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. Clarence was a graduate of a rural country school. He was in the Civilian Conservation Corps for one and a half years. He farmed, worked for Leppek Distributing, and retired from Draves Distributing in 1978. Clarence was a parishioner at St. John Catholic Church in Ubly where he was an usher. He was a member of the Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Council NO. 1546. Clarence enjoyed spending time with his family, polka dancing, playing cards and traveling. Clarence is survived by his wife of 69 years, Vivian, of Ubly; one son, Michael Rumptz and his wife, Linda, of Ubly; seven daughters, Patricia Adams and her husband, Luther, of Kinde, Joan Jackson and her husband, Robert, of Ubly, Marie Grifka, of Ubly, Linda Tittjung and her husband, Tony, of Sterling Heights, Virginia Bukowski and her husband, Richard, of Lake Orion, Susan Mergl, of Shelby Township, Deborah Kulish and her husband, Donald, of Shelby Township; 20 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; six stepgreat grandchildren; one brother, Archie Rumptz and his wife, Blanche, of Ubly. Clarence was preceded in death by one son, Edward; one son-in-law, Jerry Grifka; one granddaughter, Tammy Grifka; five sisters; two brothers. A Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at St. John Catholic Church in Ubly. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 6:30 to 9 p.m. today, from 1 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, and from 9 to 10 a.m. on Wednesday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. There will be a Knights of Columbus rosary at 7:30 tonight and a parish vigil service at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Both services will be at the funeral home. Memorials are requested to Heartland Hospice or the Family Discretionary Fund.