

Seidl, Leo J.

Leo Joseph Seidl, 87, of Ruth passed away Friday morning, Nov. 21, 2008 at his residence. He was born Feb. 8, 1921 in Sherman Township son of the late Peter and Katherine (Poell) Seidl. He married Annabell Artman on Jan. 17, 1949 at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth. He was a graduate of the Pumpkin Center School. He farmed with his family in Sherman Township and moved to Ruth in 1986. He was a lifelong parishioner of Ss. Peter and Paul Church. Leo was a former member of the parish council, a member of the parish school board and a member of the cemetery committee. Leo was the former athletic director of the baseball programs at the parish and for the Ruth community. He was a charter member of the Ruth Farm Bureau and a member of the Michigan Milk Producers Association. He enjoyed baseball, pheasant hunting, quilting and visiting with his family and grandchildren.

Leo is survived by his wife, Annabell, of 59 years of Ruth; four sons, John and his wife, Diane, of Ruth, Donald and his wife, Patti, of Lansing, Dennis of Jackson and Gerard and his wife, Michelle, of Croswell; one daughter, Doris Seidl of Lakeport; 10 grandchildren, Sarah Martzke, Nicole Pierce, David Seidl, Jill Seidl, Clint Seidl, Amy Seidl, Brian Seidl, Bradley Seidl, Eric Seidl, and Kyle Seidl; one great-grandchildren, Kali Pierce; three brothers, Ted Seidl and his wife, Carla, of Ruth, Andrew Seidl and his wife, Marie, of Huntington Woods, and Frank Seidl of Ferndale.

Leo was preceded in death by his infant son, Gerard Joseph; and five brothers, Paul, John "Jack", George, Anthony and Joseph; two sisters, Mary Edwards and Elizabeth Forton. Funeral Mass was at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, 2008 at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth. The Rev. Robert Pare, pastor officiated with burial in the church cemetery.