Mr. Elgin M. Wolschlager, 78, of Fremont, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday morning, May 7, 2013, at his home.

He was born on July 22, 1934, in Bad Axe to Frank and Agnes (Depcinski) Wolschlager. On May 2, 1959, he married Mary Jane Karolinski and she preceded him in death on Jan. 21, 2001.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran, and a master plumber. He had been employed by several plumbing and heating companies before he owned and operated Lowell Plumbing & Heating for several years until his retirement.

After his retirement, he returned to his love for farming. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping with the Thumb Bums. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Brunswick, and he was previously a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parnell, where he was a member of the Knights of Columbus and had served as the Grand Knight.

Survivors include four children, Eljean (David) Kizer of Morley, Susie (Rex) Hart of Morley, Ted Wolschlager of Fremont and Andy (Linda) Wolschlager of Danville, Ind.; his daugther-in-law, Amy Male-Wolschlager of Sand Lake; nine grandchildren; one sister, Evelyn Ochoa of Bad Axe; and three brothers, Stanley (Josephine) Wolschlager, Melvin (Lorraine) Wolschlager and Kenneth (Audrey) Wolschlager all of Bad Axe.

He was also preceded in death by his son, Timothy James Wolschlager in 1997; by his grandson, Jasen Charles Gardell in 1997; by his sister, Ernestine (Volmering) Hessling; and by his brothers, Raymond, Archie, Wilmer and Joseph Wolschlager.

A Memorial Mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 17, 2013, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Brunswick, (6382 S. Maple Island Road, Fremont, MI. 49412) with Fr. Roc Majalla as celebrant.

There will be a time of visiting with the family from 10 to 11 a.m. at the church on Friday.

Memorials may be made to the Knights of Columbus. Sign the online guest book at www.kroeze-wolffis.com.

Arrangements are by Kroeze-Wolffis Funeral Home Inc. of Fremont.