

Knaus, William

William J. Knaus, 82, of Meade Township died on Sunday, April 8, 2001, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon. He was born on Feb. 19, 1919, in Meade Township to the late Clemens and Thressia (Weis) Knaus. He and Grace McCormick were married on Nov. 27, 1943, at St. Felix Catholic Church in Pinnebog. William was a lifelong member of St. Felix Catholic Church, where he served on the cemetery board. He was a charter member of the U&I Club in Port Austin, a member of the UCT and a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He served on the Pinnebog school board and as a Meade Township trustee for more than 30 years. William was a lifelong farmer in Meade Township and also worked at the Michigan Sugar Co. factory in Sebewaing. He is survived by his wife, Grace; six children, William D. Knaus and his wife, Bonnie, of Vermont, Virginia M. Buggia and her husband, Ralph, of Saginaw, Marlene R. Knaus of Royal Oak, Robert A. Knaus and his wife, Susanne, of Saginaw, David A. Knaus and his wife, Linda, of Saginaw and Ronald Knaus and his wife, Janet, of Grand Rapids; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one son, Richard C. Knaus; one sister, Catherine Pechette; two brothers, Alex F. and Lawrence Knaus. A funeral mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2001, at St. Felix Catholic Church in Pinnebog with Sr. Mary Schwartz officiating and with Fr. Dennis Kucharczyk as Sacramental Minister. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. A parish scripture service will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde. Visitation is from noon to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home and from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Thursday at the church.