

## **Longuski, Earl**

Mr. Earl T. Longuski, 69, of Ubly passed away Monday, June 17, 2002 at Bay Medical Center in Bay City after a short illness. Earl was born on May 26, 1933 in Ubly, son of Leo and Victoria (Warchuck) Longuski. He was united in marriage to Mary Jane Wrubel on Oct. 22, 1955 at St. Mary's Catholic Church of Parisville. He attended Kelly Rural School and Ubly High School. Earl served in the United States Army. He attained the rank of corporal during the Korean Conflict from 1953 to 1955, serving in Hawaii and Korea where he was a tank mechanic. He joined his brother Lawrence in the silo construction business, Longuski Silo Company, which operated for 35 years. He was also part owner of Ubly Snowmobile Sales and Service. For the past 13 years he was a part-time truck driver for Thumb Plastics and Gemini Plastics. Earl enjoyed fishing and hunting and always had a humorous joke to tell. He was one of the founding members of the Ubly Fox Hunter's Club, where he was a past president and current honorary member. He was also a past officer and member of the Ubly Community Club, a member of the Huron Aviation Club, and a former volunteer firefighter for 20 years. He was a member of the Zurek Graham V.F.W. Post #6965 and the Thumb Veterans Organization #1. Earl also served on the Ubly Village Council for 24 years, and as village president for 16 years. He was also a hunters' safety instructor for 30 years at Ubly Fox Hunters. He was a lifelong member of St. John's Catholic Church of Ubly where he was a former usher and choir member. He was an endman and chorus member for all the Alabama Jubilee musical productions. He was a sponsor and member of the Longuski Silo Bowling Team for many years. Earl is survived by his wife, Mary Jane, of Ubly; two sons, Eugene of Bad Axe, and Earl J. and his wife, April, of Shepherd; three daughters, Karen Maurer and her husband, David, of Harbor Beach, Kathy Kirsch and her husband, Michael, of Harbor Beach, and Shelly Messing and her husband, Gregory, of Bad Axe; one foster-daughter, Barbara Nugent and her husband, David, of Grass Lake; his mother, Victoria Longuski of Ubly; three brothers, Lawrence and his wife, Florence, of Ubly, Jerome and his wife, Arlene, of Ubly, and Marvin and his wife, Mary Anna, of Peck; two sisters, Beatrice Rutkowski of Carleton, and Gertrude Pawlowski Fudala and her husband, Chester, of Troy; 12 grandchildren, Kylee and Kerri Dhyse; Brittney and Crysta Maurer; Andrew, Jolene, Jacqueline, and Janelle Kirsch; Ashley, Kevin, and Lauren Messing; and Daniel Nugent; and many nieces and nephews. Earl was preceded in death by his father, Leo; one son-in-law, Arvid Dhyse; two brothers-in-law, Marshall Rutkowski and James Pawlowski; and one god-child, Lee Rutkowski. Funeral mass for Earl Longuski will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 21, 2002, at St. John's Catholic Church of Ubly. The Rev. T.J. Fleming, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. There will be a parish vigil service at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home of Ubly. Visitation will be from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, 1 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, and 11:30 to 1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.