

CHARLES R. THIEL

Charles Robert Thiel, 71, Elkton, died Wednesday at his residence after a long illness.

He was born Aug. 16, 1911 in Pigeon, son of the late Robert and Rose (Ort) Thiel.

Charles Thiel and Miss Helene Burzyck were married Jan. 7, 1931 in Sebewaing.

He farmed in the Elkton area all his life.

Mr. Thiel was a parishioner at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon.

Surviving are his wife, Helene; two sons, Robert Thiel, Pigeon, and Gerald Thiel, DeWitt; five daughters, Mrs. William (Meta) O'Connor, Zephyrhills, Fla., Mrs. William (Irene) Voss, Owendale, Mrs. Owen (Janet) McIntyre, Woodbridge, Va., Mrs. Donald (Judy) Brunn, Fairfield, Conn., and Ms. Linda Thiel, Saginaw; 29 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; one brother, John Thiel, Pigeon, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary McBride, Bad Axe, and Mrs. Roy (Margerite) Klido, Pigeon.

Two brothers, William Thiel and Frank Thiel, and one sister, Anna Champagne, preceded her in death.

Services will be 11 a.m. Monday at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon. The Rev. Bernard Kirchman, pastor of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Zilwaukee, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Friends may call after 7 p.m. Saturday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, where a prayer service will be conducted 8 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made to the cancer foundation at Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital.

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