Frederick W. Stack

Mr. Frederick W. Stack, 84, of Unionville, our beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother, passed away Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011.

He was born in Gagetown on May 18, 1927, the son of William and Mathilda (Schmidt) Stack. On Nov. 6, 1948, he married Marian Menzel. She preceded him in death Oct. 25, 2011

Fred was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, and was a former member of Bach Lutheran Church, where he was baptized and confirmed. Along with Marian they farmed the family farm, retiring in 1974. He had retired from Saginaw Gray Iron after more than 30 years of service, where he was a pattern shop welder. He had been a charter member of the Tuscola County Gun and Conservation Club, the New Port Richey Fla., Elks, and had been Commodore of the Bay Port Yacht Club. He was a carpenter and enthusiastic wood carver. He loved boating and fishing with Marian. He hunted in Wyoming with friends for 26 years, and he and Marian wintered in New Port Richey, Fla., for 28 years. Fred had been the first in Michigan to own a 2-row beet harvester. He also built a live-aboard house boat, which he proudly moored at Sand Point.

Surviving are their daughters, Karen Stack of Boise, Idaho, Kathy (Don) Fiebig and Beverly (Scott) Wiltse, both of Sebewaing; grandchildren, Kourtney (Matt) Quinn, Kyle (Stephanie) Fiebig, Nicole (Kevin) Sherretz, Charles Wiltse, Jessica Darke and David, Joshua and Amanda Stack; greatgrandchildren, Aaden, Anikka, Abigail and Avery Quinn, Madison arid Sawyer Sherretz, Evelyn and Will Darke and Victoria Fiebig; along with a special niece, Bonnie Wiltse-Richards; and several other nieces and nephews; his sisters, Frieda Kisner of Naples, Fla. and Lydia Bolzman-Smith of Livonia; a sisterand brother-in-law, Diane (James) Menzel of Unionville, and sisters-in-law, Verlane Ertman of Grosse Pointe and Shirley (Don) Otto of Troy.

Preceding in death were a brother and sister-in-law, Ed and Juanita Stack; sisters-and brothers-in-law, Amelia and Jacob Seibel, Elsie and William Lehman, Augusta and Bill Hughes, Steve Kisner, Merlin Bolzman, Chuck Smith, Beverly and Don Brown, Ethel and Julius Hessler, Winfred and Don Richards and Linda and Calvin Hemerline.

The funeral service will take place at 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4, 2011 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, with Rev. Michael Allen officiating. Interment will be in Columbia Township Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. today and from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Unionville Funeral Chapel. He will lie in state from 2 to 3 p.m. on Friday at the church.

Fred's family has suggested memorials to St. Paul Lutheran Church.