

## Oliver R. Leitch

(May 21, 1927 - December 8, 2011)

Oliver R. Leitch, 84, of Chandler Twp. died Thursday morning, December 8, at his home with his family at his bedside. He was born May 21, 1927 in Colfax Twp. at the home of his parents, the late Henry and Myrtie (Haley) Leitch. On January 6, 1951, he was united in marriage to Eunice M. Schubach in Angola, Indiana. They lived in Pontiac while he was employed at Pontiac Motors. In 1960, they moved back to Huron County settling near Elkton. Oliver worked road construction for a time, then at Gettel Implement, Pigeon as a mechanic, retiring from Pigeon Manufacturing in 1992.



Oliver enjoyed the out of doors, hunting, fishing, trapping, harvesting his apple crop, gathering the honey his bees produced in the fall and in the spring getting the sap to make real maple syrup. He also liked Tiger baseball, playing cards, playing his guitar and yodeling. But most of all, he loved being with his wife, children, grandchildren, family and friends.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Eunice; four children, Diane (Gary) Haley of Elkton, Jim (Sheila) Leitch of Elkton, Gerald Leitch of Bad Axe and Vickie (Gary) Forster of Kilmanagh; grandchildren, Jim (Gail) Leitch, Shelley (Tom) Stilson, Gena (Bryan Prill) Leitch, Heith (Angie) Forster, Sara (Brian) Lubeski, Jeff (Brandi) Haley, Gary (Mandy Harmer) Haley, Dustin Forster, Erica (Jamie) Stein, David Haley and Elizabeth Leitch; great grandchildren, Amy, Jimmy and Tyler Leitch, Ashley, Brooklyn and Brittany Stilson, Bailey VanValkenburg, Gavin Prill, Corbin and Courtney Forster, Isaac, Oliver and KayLynn Haley, Alivia Lubeski and Allen Haley; siblings, Myrtle Gebauer of Essexville, Johnny (Vernie) Leitch of Walled Lake, Norman Leitch of Pinnebog and Daniel Leitch of Bay Port. Preceding him in death were a son, Gary "Judge", grandson, Ethan Haley, four brothers, Eugene, Harry, William and James Leitch and two sisters, Barbara Hayes and Angeline Gardner.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 AM Saturday, December 10, at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton. Rev. Michael Goforth, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Caseville will officiate with burial in Chandler Twp. cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2 to 9 PM Friday and after 10 AM Saturday. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be directed to the family