

Name: Eugene W. Smalley

Age: 92

Hometown: Ubly

Funeral Date: December 07, 2023

Date of Birth: November 27, 1931

Date of Passing: December 01, 2023

Funeral Home: Kaufman Funeral Home

Funeral Information

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 11 am at St. Isidore Parish – St. Mary's Catholic Church of Parisville. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 from 2-8 pm at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe or Thursday at the church from 10 am until the service time at 11 am. A Knights of Columbus rosary will be offered on Wednesday at 7:30 pm at the funeral home. Condolences to the Smalley family may be shared at www.kaufmanfuneralhome.com

Family of the Deceased

Eugene is survived by his wife Gloria Smalley of Ubly. His eleven children, Marvin (Loretta) Smalley of Ruth, Dennis (Diane) Smalley of Ubly, Ronald (Delores) Smalley of Ubly, Doreen (Fred) Wehrenberg of Jamestown, CA, Gary (Patricia) Smalley of Ruth, Brian Smalley of Ubly, David (Kelly) Smalley of Ubly, Karen (Rick) Peterson of Hollywood, FL, Lori (Rick) Kociba of Bad Axe, Mary (Steve) Booms of Ruth, Mike Smalley of Bad Axe. 27 Grandchildren and 36 Great-grandchildren, his sisters, Florence Steadman and Shirley Chinn and his brother-in-law, Calvin Grifka, as well as many nieces and nephews. Eugene was preceded

in death by one granddaughter, Amber Smalley, his sisters, Ester Butterwick,
Agnes Bismack, Beatrice Capling, Grace Smalley, Delores Thompson, Bertha
Grifka, and Mamie Smalley and brothers-in-law, Max Steadman, Roy Chinn, Louis
Butterwick, Jacob Bismack, Joseph Capling, and John Thompson.

Biography

Eugene W. Smalley, 92, of Ubly, passed away on Friday, December 1, 2023 at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Eugene was born at home on the family farm on November 27, 1931, son of the late Walter and Lucy (Peruski) Smalley. He married Gloria M. Gwisdalla on June 27, 1953. They celebrated 70 years of marriage this year. Eugene lived to farm and was happiest when driving the combine and giving orders to the boys. He enjoyed taking his children to "rock festivals" and he always drove, because he knew where they were at. Eugene loved to play euchre and his trips to the casino with his friends. In his younger years, Eugene didn't miss a chance to go polka dancing! The Polka Party could be heard every Sunday at the Smalley house. Eugene was a lifelong member of St. Isidore Parish-St. Mary's Catholic Church in Parisville, where he was an usher. He was also a member of the Ruth Knights of Columbus Council 3823.