

THEODORE WOELKE

1927 - 1988

Theodore E. (Ted) Woelke, age 61 of Millington, formerly a long-time of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 27 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Flint, after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 4, 1927 in Pigeon, son of the late Otto and Christine (Baum) Woelke. He was united in marriage to Connie Shepley in 1955 at West Branch.

Mr. Woelke graduated from Pigeon High School in 1945, where he played basketball and baseball for four years. He spent two years in the Special Services Corps of the U.S. Army in Japan during World War II.

He received his bachelor of arts degree in Education from Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. He taught elementary school at Lima, Ohio for two years, then taught social studies and coached at Rose City and Hale. For the past 27 years he taught and coached at Millington High School.

Mr. Woelke was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Millington, where he served for many years on the church council. He was also a member of the Michigan Sports Sages and the Millington Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife, Connie, Millington; three daughters, Mrs. Dale (Kimberly) Torrey, Millington, Mrs. David (Tamara) Grover, Oscoda and Mrs. Craig (Michele) Hampton, Westland; two grandchildren, Erik Torrey and Rylee Grover; four sisters, Mrs. Paul (Mildred) Leithart, Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Robert (Beatrice) Orr, Livonia, Mrs. Herbert (Gertrude) Schaefer, Hong Kong and Mrs. Jerome (Marion) Bramschreiber, Colorado Springs, Colo.; one brother, Arthur Woelke, Pigeon and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Dec. 30 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. The Rev. David Sherry, pastor, officiated with burial in the Millington Cemetery.

The Hanlin Funeral Home, Millington, was in charge of funeral arrangements.