

JOHN A. "HONEST JOHN" LELONEK

1907 - 1994

John A. "Honest John" Lelonek, 87 of Pigeon, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 28 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon.

He was born in Poland on March 10, 1907, son of the late Albert and Agnes (Nizio) Lelonek. He was united in marriage to Felicia R. Deranowski on June 20, 1941 in Detroit. She preceded him in death on July 24, 1988.

Mr. Lelonek was a World War II Army Veteran, having served in the Pacific, and was a member of the Tip of the Thumb Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #2236. From 1954 to 1988, he and his wife owned and operated the Vollmer Hotel in Pigeon. He was a member of the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association and was also a member of St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon.

His survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Felicia (Paul) Geiger, Pigeon; a granddaughter, Brenda (Dan) Block, Reese; a great-grandson, Adam Block; a brother, Albert (Denise) Lelonek, Clawson; three sisters, Estelle (Ernest) Bottke, Sebawaing, Irene (William) Davis, California and Dolores Bradley, Troy and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Edward, on Oct. 28, 1994.

The Funeral Mass was conducted on Friday, Dec. 30 at 11 a.m. from St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon. Rev. Fr. Barney Janowicz, pastor, officiated with burial in the Holy Family Catholic Cemetery, Sebawaing.

A Rosary was recited on Thursday, Dec. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon.

Memorials may be made to the Country Bay Village Landscape Improvement Fund

