

Wolschlager, Joseph H.

Mr. Joseph H. Wolschlager, 86, of Ubly, passed away Sunday, Nov. 22, 2009 at St. Mary Hospital in Saginaw.

He was born May 25, 1923 in Bad Axe to the late Charles and Ida (Booms) Wolschlager. He married Josephine Dybilas Oct. 18, 1947 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Freiburg. Joseph graduated the Becking Elementary School. He sailed the Great Lakes for five years. He farmed for more than 33 years and worked for Lasky Construction for 33 years. He was a parishioner at St. Columbkille for 55 years. He was a choir member, former sexton and did maintenance for the church. He played guitar and fiddle, playing at weddings and such. He enjoyed playing euchre and 65 cents, hunting deer, fishing, traveling and visiting with family and friends.

Joseph is survived by his wife of 62 years, Josephine of Ubly; eight children, Rosemary (Jerry) Stephenson of Flat Rock, Ind., Theresa (Richard) Hund of Clarkston, Joann (Gary) Osantowski of Madison Heights, Paulette (Jeffrey) Maurer, Clarence (Barbara) Wolschlager, Dennis (Kelly) Wolschlager, and Mark Wolschlager all of Bad Axe, Gary Wolschlager of Ubly; 20 grandchildren, Tina & Tim Stephenson, Tami (Michael) Harbison, Tanya (Matthew) Johnson, Eric Hund, Scott (Sara) Hund, Tracy (Kenny) Smith, Melissa (Scott) MacGregor, Kris Wolschlager, Keith (Kelly) Wolschlager, Pattie (Paul) Box, Paul (Rose) Osantowski, Brian and Kim Osantowski, Matthew (Katie) Maurer, Jessica, Brent, Taylor Wolschlager, Martin and Jill Wolschlager; 11 great-grandchildren, David, Zachary, Nicholas, Ethan, Blake, Dillon, Avery, Evan, Allyson, Colin and Finley; three sisters, Dorothy Guigar, Helen McIntosh, Irma (Nicholas) Schroth; two brothers, John (Mary) Wolschlager, Henry (Delphine) Wolschlager; in-laws, Sara Guigar, Nora Peters, Joseph (Jerri) Dybilas.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Grace Wolschlager; and three brothers, Maurice, Charles and Elmer Wolschlager.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2009 at St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Sheridan Corners. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly and from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church only. There will be a parish vigil service at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.