

### **Ruppal, Sr., Donald**

Donald J. Ruppal, Sr., 75, of Akron, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, November 9, 2003, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He was born on March 16, 1928 to John and Millie (Fischer) Ruppal in Akron. He married Genevieve Petiprin on August 25, 1945 in Sebewaing. Donald enjoyed spending time at his summer place in Port Austin, deer hunting, bowling and spending time with his family. Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife of 58 years, Genevieve, of Akron; ten children, Gary Ruppal, of San Jose, California, Marsha Gordon and her husband, Lee, of San Marcos, California, Richard Ruppal and his wife, Vicky, of Mt. Morris, Nancy Stoll and her husband, Ken, Rick Ruppal, Jeff Ruppal and his wife, Lisa, all of Fairgrove, Donald Ruppal, Jr and his wife, Sandra, Connie Hutchinson and her husband, Otis, David Ruppal and his wife, Rachel, all of Akron, Stephen Ruppal and his wife, Vicki, of Caro; 16 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; three siblings, Clara Halabis, of Caro, Millie Jacoby and her husband, Jacob, of Unionville, and Harold Ruppal and his wife, Norma, of Akron. He will be greatly missed by several nieces, nephews and friends. Donald was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers; three sisters; and an infant daughter. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, November 12, 2003, at the Wisner Methodist Church with Pastor Chuck Bailey officiating. Burial will take place at the Brookside Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon to 9 p.m. on Tuesday at the Briggs-Trenerry Funeral Home in Akron and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday morning at the church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Ruppal Family Discretionary Fund. Funeral arrangements made by the Briggs-Trenerry Funeral Home in Akron.