

Bergman, Melvin

Melvin Paul Bergman, 65, of Phoenix, Ariz., formerly of Pigeon, passed away on Sunday, May 27, 2001, at his home following a brief illness. Mr. Bergman was born on Aug. 6, 1935, in Pigeon, son of the late Adolf Henry Frederick and Ida Emma Antonia (Trautman) Bergman. On July 3, 1959, he was united in marriage to Joyce Starr at Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon. He was a member of the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Phoenix. He was a former member of Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon as well as the Pigeon Lions Club. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; five children, Judi Whitehead of Phoenix, Dennis Bergman and his wife, Renee, of Ortonville, Ron Bergman and his wife, Leisha, of Park City, Utah, Don Bergman and his wife, Nancy, of Gahanna, Ohio, and Mark Bergman and his wife, Beth, of Harrisonburg, Va.; ten grandchildren; two brothers, Otto Bergman and his wife, Leatrice, and Ted Bergman and his wife Ila, both of Arizona; a sister, Carolyn Stirrett and her husband, Donald, of Vassar; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Alfred and Harold Bergman; and a sister, Florence Perry. Funeral Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 31, from Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon with the Rev. Raymond E. Orth, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, A Golden Rule Funeral Home, in Pigeon and from noon until 2 p.m. Thursday at the church. Memorial contributions for Mr. Bergman may be made to Cross Lutheran New Building Fund or Hospice of Phoenix.