

Levaine, Sylvester E.

Sylvester Edward Levaine, 82, formerly of Kinde passed away April 1, 2008 at Troy Beaumont Hospital following an unexpected illness, surrounded by his loving family.

Born on June 28, 1925, he was the son of the late Steven and Maragret (Horetski) Leavine. He was a parishioner of St. Edwards Catholic Church in Kinde. He was a hard working man who enjoyed being an entrepreneur, farmer, and taking care of his family. He was an active dairy farmer until 2004, when he went to live with his wife and daughter in Sterling Heights.

Sylvester is survived by his wife, Josephine, after a marriage of 59 years. Sylvester has three daughters, Sylvia Rivard of Warren, Darlene Levaine of Sterling Heights, Veronica (David) Claeys of New Baltimore, and one son, John (Brenda) Levaine of Kinde. Sylvester was the proud grandfather of six grandchildren, Ilene Sipp, Kevin Rivard, Jacquelyn Claeys, Marissa Claeys, Mechaela Levaine, and Braden Levaine. He was also a great-grandfather to Madison Rivard. Syl had six sisters, Theresa Nowak, Agnes Jimpkowski, Irene Osentoski, Bernice (Joe) Klakulak, Celia (Peter) Meyer, and Eleanor (Simon) Kalka. Syl had one brother, Frank Leavine of Kinde. Sylvester was preceded in death by his brother, Casimer Leavine, an infant brother and his sister, Regina Murawski.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 5, 2008 at St. Blaze Catholic Church, 12151 15 Mile Road in Sterling Heights. Burial will take place at a later date in Ubly.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. on Friday at Wujek-Calceterra Funeral Home, 36900 Schoenherr Road in Sterling Heights.