

Oswald, Roy C.

Roy C. Oswald, 78, life-long resident of Minden City, passed away Sunday evening, July 20, 2008 at Covenant Cooper Hospital in Saginaw.

Roy was born on March 6, 1930 in Minden City to the late Rudolph and Sophia (Heinke) Oswald. He married Mary Lou Gillette on June 5, 1965 at the Faith Free Methodist Church in Snover.

Roy was a graduate of the Minden City High School. He worked at the Ruth Drain and Tile Company for close to 30 years. Roy was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Navy. He was a member of the Parisville VFW Post #5740 where he was quarter master for 30 years and commander for 15 years. Roy enjoyed playing his steel guitar, taxidermy, telling jokes and spending time with his friends and family.

Roy is survived by his wife of 43 years, Mary Lou Oswald of Sandusky; one son, David Oswald and his wife, Pauletta, of Minden City; one daughter, Christine Ruthko and her husband, Thomas, of Ubyly; six grandchildren, Ashley Oswald, Camay Messing, Jasmine Loss, Autumn Loss, Christopher Oswald and Colton Oswald; two brothers, Eugene Oswald and his wife, Jackie, of St. Petersburg, Fla., Harold Oswald and his wife, Shirley, of Lapeer; two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Oswald of Ruth, Thelma Oswald of Port Huron; one brother-in-law, Chester Dahlke of Harbor Beach; and several nieces and nephews.

Roy was preceded in death by one sister, Alice Dahlke; two brothers, Cline and Melvin Oswald; one sister-in-law, Ruth Gillette.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 24, 2008 at the Smigielski Funeral Home of Minden City. The Rev. Lyle Calkins, pastor of the Harbor Beach Free Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Greenwood Cemetery in Sandusky with graveside military honors provided by Parisville VFW Post #5740.

Visitation will be from 1:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursday at Smigielski Funeral Home on Cass Ave. in Minden City.