

Heckroth, Ray

Ray Charles Heckroth, 86, a Gotts Corner area farmer, died peacefully on Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2003, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born to the late Charles and Minnie (Bleam) Heckroth on Oct. 28, 1916 at home on the family farm in Chandler Township where he was also raised. He continued to farm there until his retirement in 1995. On Oct. 7, 1944, he was united in marriage to Ruth M. Diebel at Elkton Evangelical United Brethren Church. He is survived and dearly missed by his wife, Ruth; three children, Carol Carter and her husband, James, of Portage, Alan Heckroth of Caseville, Roger Heckroth and his wife, Michelle, of Georgetown, Texas; six grandchildren, James and Jeffery Carter, Christopher, Nicole, Skye and Roger Heckroth; two sisters, Fern Faupel of Kalamazoo and Lola Reibling and her husband, Calvin, of Elkton. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, at the Elkton United Methodist Church. The Rev. Peter Crawford, pastor, will officiate with interment to follow at the Colfax Township Mausoleum. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton and after 10 a.m. on Saturday at the church. Memorials may be given to the Elkton United Methodist Church. Friends may sign the guest book at www.CFCelkton.com.