

JAMES W. SCHWANITZ

1926 - 1980

James W. Schwanitz, age 53, of Pigeon, passed away suddenly on Saturday, April 19.

He was born on June 7, 1926 in Caseville. On May 8, 1954 he was united in marriage to Dora Lenore Steele at Bay Port.

Mr. Schwanitz is survived by his wife, Dora; one daughter, Rena L. Schwanitz of Merrillville, Ind. and one son, S.P.-4 James B. Schwanitz, Soule, Korea.

A son, Randall preceded him in death on June 23, 1964, and his father on March 4, 1980.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 24 at 3 p.m. from the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. The Rev. Fred Cooley, pastor of Bay Port United Methodist Church, will officiate with burial in the New Bay Port cemetery.

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James W. Schwanitz, Pigeon area businessman, died on Saturday, April 19. Schwanitz was employed as a car salesman at B&W Auto Sales in Cass City at the time of his death. Previous to working in Cass City, Schwanitz sold cars for Hengy Ford in Pigeon for eleven years. He also drove delivery truck for Eicher's Cleaners in Pigeon and for McDonald Dairy before he went into the car business.

Schwanitz belonged to the Pigeon Rotary Club and had been active in Little League activities. He and his wife, Dora Lenore, lived in the Pigeon area for over 24 years.



For more complete obituary information, please consult last week's Progress-Advance.