Kolar, Thomas A.

Thomas A. Kolar, 89, of Grand Blanc and formerly of Cass City, passed away Tuesday, January 30, 2007, at the Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc. Thomas was born May 9, 1917 in Tyre to the late Alexander and Mary (Wojciechowska) Kolar. He married Marion M. Lang on January 24, 1942 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Palms. She preceded him in death on March 24, 2000. Thomas was a graduate of the Cumber Country School. He worked as a road construction supervisor for Denton Construction of Grosse Pointe Woods from 1947 until he retired in 1979, working on local, state and national roads. Thomas was a lifelong parishioner at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Freiburg where he was an altar server. He enjoyed furniture restoration, woodworking, euchre, dancing, gardening, creating Christmas decorations, and hunting and trapping in his younger days. Thomas is survived by his three daughters, Mierial Gage and her husband, James, of Goodrich, Elizabeth Robinson and her husband, Lee, of Fife Lake, Christine Slezak and her husband, Bruce, of Harrison Township; seven grandchildren, Tom Gage and his wife, Traci, of Goodrich, Clint Gage and his wife, Michelle, of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Kristen Cambas and her husband, Edward, of Pembroke Pines, Florida, Heather Proctor and her husband, Paul, of Rocky Mountain, North Carolina, Aliceson Robinson, of London, England, Kenneth Slezak, of Northern Michigan University, and Scott Slezak, of Harrison Township; eight great grandchildren, Leah, Coller, Haylee, Gracin, Max. James, Elliana and Sam: three sisters-in-law, Pearl Lang, of Westland, Maxine Lang, of Mendon, and Helen Oswald, of Essexville; one brother-inlaw, Donald Lang and his wife, Marie, of Palms. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Mary; and 12 brothers and sisters. A Funeral Mass will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 3, 2007, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Freiburg. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery in the spring. Visitation will be from 1:30 to 9 p.m. on Friday at Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly and from noon to 1 p.m. on Saturday at the church.