

ASEL B. COLLINS

1915 - 1992

Asel B. "Ace" Collins, age 76 of Pigeon passed away Thursday, March 19, 1992 at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon.

Mr. Collins was born in Evergreen Township in Sanilac County on November 7, 1915, son of the late Elmer and Alfreda (Hicks) Collins. He married Harriett L. McComb in Cass City on June 29, 1941. The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June, 1991. A Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army during WWII, Mr. Collins was a life member of the Tip of the Thumb VFW Post 2236, Pigeon, and was its past commander. From 1949 - 1978, he was publisher and editor of the Progress Advance newspaper in Pigeon. He was a member and a past president of the Rotary Club of Pigeon, where he was a Paul Harris Fellow. He was also a member of the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

Survivors include his wife, Harriett L., Pigeon; three sons, Dennis E. Collins, Charlevoix, James A. Collins, Bad Axe, and Steven B. (Kimberly) Collins, Sanford; a daughter, Kathleen (Kurt) Thuemmel, Haslett; seven grandchildren; one brother, Milton Collins, Mason; and four sisters, Mrs. Thelma Smith, Kokomo, IN, Mrs. Wilda Courliss, Caro, Mrs. Keith (Dorothy) Crawford, Gladwin, and Mrs. Lynn (Betty) Hiser, Caro. He was preceded in death by a brother, Clare Collins.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 23 from the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon. Rev. James P. Schwandt, pastor, will officiate with burial in Jovesta Township Cemetery near Cass City.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or First United Methodist Church.