

Oberski, David

Mr. David G. Oberski, 78, of Ruth after a long illness passed peacefully to his heavenly home on Aug. 12, 2002, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility. David was born on Aug. 31, 1923, in Paris Township to the late Leo and Lucy (Czewski) Oberski. He married Mildred Bismack on Nov. 3, 1945, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. We celebrate his life. David attended Grace School No. 1. He farmed most of his life. He worked at Active Industries in Elkton as a die setter for 26 years. He enjoyed playing drums for the Pat Hoody polka band of Port Austin for years. He was a parishioner of St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. He was a member of the St. Mary's Men's Club, the Fox Hunters, Farm Bureau and the Parisville Senior Citizens Group. He was responsible for making the Parisville dunk tank and was very active in the parish annual picnic. He did taxidermy for family and friends. He loved hunting, fishing, following the Detroit Tigers and spending time at his pond. He loved to play euchre at every single gathering with family and friends. He worked very hard to provide a college education for each of his children, for which they are very grateful. David is survived by his wife of 56 years, Mildred, who was his devoted caretaker, especially for the last 13 years; four children, Elaine Messing and her husband, Harvey, of East Lansing; Thomas Oberski and his wife, Catherine, of San Antonio, Texas, Mary Jean Yamamoto and her husband, Dennis, M.D., of Reno, Nev., Michael Oberski and his wife, Judy, of North Street; eight grandchildren, Jason Messing and his wife, Barbara, of Phoenix, Ariz., Katie Krueger and her husband, Brett, of San Jose, Calif., Anne Messing of East Lansing, Jill Yamamoto of Seattle, Wash., Kyle Yamamoto of Hanover, N.H., Kimberly, Nicholas and Katrina Oberski of North Street; one great-granddaughter, Kiera Messing of Phoenix; one sister, Isabel Wodwaska of Ruth; two sisters-in-law, Gertrude and Rita Oberski of Ubly. David was preceded in death by five brothers, Julius, Ted, Albert, Roman and Isadore; three sisters, Anna Susalla, Victoria Wrubel and Irene Lamke. The funeral mass for David Oberski will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 15, 2002, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. The Rev. Charles Hammond, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. There will be a Men's Club rosary at 8 p.m. today at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. Visitation is from 1 to 9:30 p.m. today and 8 to 9 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials may be sent to St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville.