

Gnagey, Leroy A.

Leroy Arthur Gnagey, 82, of Pigeon, passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009 at Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.

Born April 18, 1927 in Bay Port on the family farm where he worked with the dairy operation until his retirement, he was the son of the late Elias and Amanda (Ropp) Gnagey. He was a graduate of the Snell Rural School.

On Aug. 22, 1951, he was united in marriage to Marjorie Ruth Burger at Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Leroy was a member and former Elder of the Pigeon River Mennonite Church. He loved his children and grandchildren, enjoyed gardening, and sharing with family and friends. He also loved going to the coffee shop and sharing 'story hour.'

Leroy was a farmer throughout his lifetime, and was an agricultural products representative with Stine Seed Company for many years.

In addition to his wife, Marjorie, to whom he had been married 58 years, he is survived by two daughters, Carolyn (Scott) Harder of Bay Port and Marcia (Chris) Schuette of Pigeon; a son, Alvin (Terese) Gnagey of Bay Port; five grandchildren: Tonie (Bill) Harcourt, Jason (Sara) Gnagey, Jeremy (Amy) Gnagey, Brant (Carla) Gnagey and Christopher Harder; 10 great-grandchildren; brother, Omar (Velma) Gnagey of Archbold, Ohio; sister, Delores Gnagey of Saginaw; sisters-in-law, Herma Gnagey and Judy Burger; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a son, Larry, on Sept. 20, 1970; a brother, Ray; and a sister, Clara Yoder.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2009 at Pigeon River Mennonite Church, with the Rev. Alvin Yoder, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday and from 10 a.m. until the service time Wednesday at Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, is conducting the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Pigeon River Mennonite Church or Advantage Hospice.