

## Al Kipfer



Al "Toots" Kipfer, age 81 of Lake Township, Caseville passed away Tuesday afternoon August 17, 2010 at Covenant Harrison Hospital, Saginaw.

He was born on July 18, 1929 near Caseville son of late Melvin and Catherine (Miller) Kipfer. Al was a graduate of Elkton High School in 1946 and was a Korean Conflict Navy Veteran serving in the Mediterranean as a Radar Technician and M.P. Upon his discharge from active duty he completed the Journeyman die maker program through GMI in Flint.

On November 3, 1956 he was united in marriage to Lorene M. Brandon in Flint. Al was extremely proud of Caseville Golf Course and Driving Range that he designed, built, and owned along with his wife Lorene. He often rode his bike to work. In 1984 they sold the golf course to their daughter Linda who later sold it to her son and his grandson, who is now the third generation owner. An avid sportsman, Al especially loved golfing and was the Caseville Golf Course champion for many years. He also won two course championships in Florida.

In the earlier years Al enjoyed small game hunting too. As a couple, they traveled to Florida for many years where they had a winter home. They traveled all over the world and enjoyed dancing, including square dance and disco. Al was a charter member of the Caseville FOE # 3690. He was also a former Township Board Member and donated blood to the Red Cross for years.

He is survived by Lorene his wife of over 54 years; five children: Linda Connors, Caseville, Ramona Kipfer, Houston, TX, Mike (Judy) Kipfer Raliegh, NC, Patricia (Steve) Fountain, Dallas, TX, and Diane (Garry) Reese, Las Vegas, NV; six grandchildren; six great grandchildren; a sister, Diane Guigar, Caseville; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother Robert Kipfer and a sister Eva Johnson.

Funeral Services will be Friday, August 20, 2010 at 11 am in the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, with the Caseville FOE # 3690 Funeral Ritual Service team officiating. Burial will follow in the Caseville Township Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be to the Caseville Food Pantry.

VISITATION AT MEYERSIECK-BUSSEMA FUNERAL HOME, PIGEON.

Thursday, August 19 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Friday, August 20 10:00 a.m. until the time of services at 11:00 a.m.