

Hafner, Omar F.

Omar Franklin Hafner, 85, of Pigeon, passed away Saturday, April 25, 2009 at the Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe.

Born in Kilmanagh on May 5, 1923, he was the son of the late Rudolph and Louise (Werschky) Hafner. Sixty-seven years ago, on April 25, 1942 he was united in marriage to Dorothy R. Dubs at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Linkville. She survives him.

Omar was an area farmer and agricultural products representative, selling DeKalb corn seed for more than 40 years. He was a member and former officer of the Owendale Lions Club. Omar was a former Owen-Gage school board member, and a former active member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Bach, where he held several leadership positions. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and especially Tiger baseball. He was an avid gardener. He dearly loved his family and taught all of his grandchildren how to fish. He and Dorothy enjoyed driving throughout the area farms, looking for turkey and deer.

Omar was a member and usher at Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon.

In addition to his wife, Dorothy, he is survived by three daughters, Donna M. (Dale) Schuette of Elkton, Diana (Dick) Hennrick of Bay City, and Mary L. Donnelly (friend Rod Baltzer) of Bay City; seven grandchildren, Dennis (Cathy) Schuette, Dawn (Mike) Kosinski, Darrin (Tracy) Schuette, Chad Seley, Dustin (Tina) Seley, Amanda Donnelly and Alisha Donnelly; nine great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother and five sisters.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 30, 2009 at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon, with the Rev. Timothy Loehrke, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Sebawaing.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon and from 10 a.m. until the time of service Thursday at the Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon.

Memorials may be made to Cross Lutheran Church or the Owendale Lions Club.