

Wolschlager, Wilmer J.

Wilmer J. Wolschlager, 86, a life-long Sheridan Township farmer, passed away at his home on Saturday, July 9, 2005, following a short illness. He was born November 25, 1918 in Sheridan Township, son of the late Frank and Agnes (Depcinski) Wolschlager. Mr. Wolschlager and Miss Marian Keyes were united in marriage on July 22, 1961 in Alpena. Mrs. Wolschlager preceded her husband in death on March 22, 2004. Wilmer was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe where he served as an usher. He attended Becking Rural Country School and was a member of the Bishop Babcock General Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Council No. 1546 Bad Axe. As a diary and crop farmer, he was active in 4-H and worked in a saw mill; was a Detroit Tigers fan, played softball, enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling and blueberry picking. He also enjoyed visiting with his family and friends. He is survived by seven sons, Wilmer Wolschlager, Jr. of Bad Axe, Kevin Wolschlager, of Bad Axe, Curtis Wolschlager and his wife, Jamie, of Elkton, Anthony Wolschlager and his wife, Tammy, of Owendale, Duane Wolschlager and his wife, Mary, of Fillion, Larry Wolschlager and his wife, Martina, of Pigeon, and Terry Wolschlager, of Fillion, and his fiancée, Susan Kozlowski, of Port Austin; three daughters, Katheryn Wolschlager, of Bad Axe, Angeline Lampela and her husband, Douglas, of Bad Axe, and Melissa McDonald and her husband, Paul, of Dewitt; 17 grandchildren, Nicole, Brittany, Brian, Jesse, Michael, Kayla, Andriana, Brandon, Justin, Ashley, Ryan, Kyle, Cory, Derrick, Cody, Amber, and Caiden; one great-grandson, Riley; five brothers, Raymond Wolschlager, of Bad Axe, Stanley Wolschlager and his wife, Josephine, of Bad Axe, Melvin Wolschlager and his wife, Lorraine, of Bad Axe, Kenneth Wolschlager and his wife, Audrey, of Bad Axe, and Elign Wolschlager, of Lowell; one sister, Evelyn Ochoa and her husband, Henney, of Detroit; three brothers-in-law, Ken Keyes and his wife, Linda, of Clio, Arnold Keyes and his wife, Rose, of Lansing, and Roger Keyes and his wife, Terrie, of Alpena; one sister-in-law, Shirley Goodrich and her husband, Howard, of Georgia; and several nieces and nephews. Wilmer was preceded in death by two brothers, Archie and Joseph Wolschlager; one sister, Ernestia Hessling; one sister-in-law, Mary Jane Wolschlager; and one brother-in-law, Ralph Volmering. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. Fr. Robert Shine will preside. Cremation will follow at Sunset Valley Crematory. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday at MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe. There will be a parish scripture service at 7 p.m. followed by a rosary prayer at 7:30 p.m. today by the Knights of Columbus. Memorials may be offered to the Family Discretionary Fund.