

RICHARD MYRON GUNSELL

1932 - 1988

Richard Myron Gunsell, age 55, of Pigeon, passed away Sunday, March 20 at his home on Sand Point.

He was born Sept. 25, 1932 in Caro, son of the late Myron C. and Winifred Louise (Cummins) Gunsell. He was united in marriage to Arden Pfister on July 18, 1969 in the Caseville United Methodist Church.

Lt. Col. Gunsell served in the U.S. Army in Korea and Vietnam from 1955 to 1976. He received his undergraduate degree from Michigan State University and a masters' degree from the University of Southern California. He was a member of the Caseville United Methodist Church; past commander of the Tip of the Thumb VFW Post #2236, Pigeon; a Shriner; a member of the Egypt Temple, Tampa, Fla.; a 32nd Degree Mason and member of the Scottish Rite, Bay City.

He is survived by his wife, Arden of Pigeon; a son, Jeffrey Myron Gunsell, Garden City; a daughter, Ms. Linda Susan, Canton; two step-daughters, Ms. Jackie Lee Coulter, St. Petersburg, Fla. and Ms. Nancy Jane Ellison, Jacksonville, Fla.; two stepsons, Jay Thomas Ellison, Jacksonville, Fla. and John H. Ellison, St. Petersburg, Fla.; six step-grandchildren and one niece.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, March 23 at 11 a.m. at the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. The Rev. John Hamilton, pastor at Caseville United Methodist Church, will officiate with burial in the Caseville Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home until the time of services.

A VFW memorial service was conducted Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. with a Masonic service following at 8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to PAWS (Protecting Animals Welfare Society), Bad Axe.