

Bannick, Reinhold

Reinhold Bannick, 83, of Pigeon, died Friday morning, December 16, 2005, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe, with his family at his side. He was born January 4, 1922 in Elkton, one of eight children born to the late Emil and Wilhelmina (Klish) Bannick. In November of 1942, he was inducted into the U.S. Army and served in Europe and Russia during World War II, returning home in December of 1945. On June 19, 1948, he was united in marriage to Eva Mae Pawloski at Trinity Lutheran Church, Elkton. They lived in the Elkton-Pigeon area most of their married life, except for 12 years when they lived and farmed in Sheridan Township. Reinhold had worked at Saginaw Steering Gear for several years before coming to Active Industries, Elkton, where he was a Hi-lo driver, retiring from there in 1978 with 37 years of service. Reinhold loved having his daughters and grandchildren around him; he loved to play euchre and to dance; he also enjoyed working in his vegetable garden. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Linkville, and the Golden Ager's at church. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Eva; five daughters, Donna (Terry) VanDeVoort, of Pigeon, Karen (Pat) VanDeVoort, of Bay City, Diane (Gary) Brown, of North Port, Gayle (Charlie) Forbing, of Bad Axe, and Jean (Phil) Myers, of Caseville; seven grandchildren, Valerie, Brian, Kevin, Andy, Ryan, Adam and Aaron; three great-grandchildren, Kendal, Ava and Alexis; and his sister, Natalie Bannick, of Saginaw. Preceding him in death were four brothers, Gus, Henry, Herman and Fred; and two sisters, Matilida Spindler and Johanna Spindler. Funeral services will be conducted 11 a.m. on Monday, December 19, 2005, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Linkville. The Rev. Lee Wenskay, pastor, will officiate with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Elkton. Visitation will be from noon until 7 p.m. today at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, and after 10 a.m. on Monday at the church. Memorials may be directed to St. Paul's Lutheran, Heartland Hospice or Alzheimer's Disease Association. Words of condolence may be left online at www.cfcElkton.com.