Walter J. Hierholzer

Walter J. Hierholzer, 83, of Burkettsville, died on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2006, at 4:42 a.m. at Community Hospital in Coldwater.



He was born on April 21, 1923, to the late Frank and Lena (Moorman) Hierholzer.

On August 30, 1947 in Sharpsburg, he married Rosella "Toots" (Kaiser) Hierholzer and she survives in Burkettsville.

He is survived by one son, Julius Hierholzer, North Star; three daughters, Joan (Mark) Kunk, Versailles,

Jody (Dan) Lange and June (Dale) Leistenschneider, St. Henry; a son-in-law Matt (Dee) Schwieterman, Coldwater; two sisters, Betty Darland, Burkettsville and Virginia Olding of Fla.; a sister-in-law Dorothy Hierholzer, Sidney; 21 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son Jeffrey, a daughter, Joyce Schwieterman, daughter-in-law Betty Hierholzer, a brother Daniel Hierholzer and two brothers-in-law, William Darland and Paul Olding.

Mr. Hierholzer attended St. Bernard Catholic Church in Burkettsville and was a member of the Men's Holy Name Society of the Church. He was a veteran of the US Army serving during WWII, a member of Fort Recovery American Legion, Coldwater, V.F.W. Post 5135 and Fraternal Order of Eagles #3025, Coldwater. He was a former owner of Hierholzer Garage in Burkettsville.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Bernard Church on Saturday, Dec. 23, 2006 with Rev. Tony Fortman officiating. Burial followed in St. Bernard Cemetery in Burkettsville. Military Rites were conducted at the cemetery.

Memorials can be made to St. Henry Emergency Squad.