

John F. Mescher

John F. Mescher, 80, of Maria Stein, died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2008 at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima, following a fall on the ice.



He was born March 5, 1928 in Maria Stein to the late Willaim and Anna (Overman) Mescher. On Aug. 11, 1951 he married Mary Catherine 'Toot' Thobe in Maria Stein.

He is survived by five children: Donna (Mike) Berger of Versailles, Ann (Joe) Hess of Carthagena, Wayne Mescher of Piqua, Nadine (Alan) Wendel of Osgood and Craig (Elizabeth) Mescher of Osgood; as well as 13 grandchildren and a great grandson. He also leaves behind brothers: George Mescher of Dayton, Leander (Carol) Mescher of Dayton, Paul Mescher of Celina and Tom Mescher of Maria Stein; sisters Marie Schmidt of Vandalia and Rita Sullivan of Gresham, and sisters-in-law Leona Mescher of Minster and Norma Mescher of Dayton. He is preceded in death by brothers Albert and Alvin; sisters & borthers-in-law: Alvina (Henry) Kuether, Agnes (Lawrence) Hoying and Grace (Richard) Selhorst and brothers-in-law: Leo Schmidt and George Sullivan and sisters-in-law Martha, Joan and Jeanette Mescher.

He was a member of St. John Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society of the Church. He retired from Gagel's Plumbing & Heating in Minster and farming.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. John Catholic Church on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2008 at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Gene Schnipke officiating. Hogenkamp Funeral Home of Coldwater handled the arrangements.