Urban A. Benanzer

Urban A. Benanzer, 94, of Fort Loramie, died Thursday, June 5, 2008, at his residence.



He was born on Oct. 20, 1913, near Fort Loramie, the son of Fred and Johanna (Mertz) Benanzer. On April 27, 1938, he married Loretta Stueve. She passed away on Dec. 27, 2000.

His survivors include one daughter, Joan (Ray) Massey, five grandchildren

and two great-grandsons. Urban is also survived by two sisters, Bertha Selhorst of Coldwater and Leana Hoke of St. Louis, Mo., and a brother, Fred Benanzer of Piqua.

He was preceded in death by brothers Albert and Edward and sisters Eleanera and Henrietta Wuebker.

He was a lifelong farmer. He was a member of the St. Michael Catholic Church in Fort Loramie and previously attended St. Patrick Catholic Church in St. Patrick. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Monday, June 9, 2008, at St. Michael Church with the Rev. Steven Shoup officiating. Memorials may be made to Wilson Hospital Hospice. Hogenkamp Funeral Home of Minster handled the arrangements.