

## Floyd J. Echeman

Floyd J. "Red" Echeman, of Versailles, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2007, at the Versailles Health Care Center. He was 79.

He was born July 12, 1928, in Russia, the son of the late Henry and Estella Mangan Echeman.

A special companion, Libby Wood of Lima, survives, as do his children and their spouses, Angela and Dennis Pittsenbarger of Greenville, Barbara and Curtis Brandewie of Versailles, John and Sharon Echeman of Versailles and Mark and Sherry Echeman of Greenville. Seven grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren also survive. Sisters Rita (Wilfrid) Holscher and Mary Lou Echeman, both of Minster, survive, as do numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by brothers George and Bernard Echeman.

Mr. Echeman was a former Omar Bread man and formerly worked at Tate Manufacturing, Copeland Corp. and Poeppelman Gravel Pit. He collected antique farm machinery, tractors and various farm implements. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the Osgood American Legion and the Ansonia VFW. He was a member of St. Denis Catholic Church and the Versailles Eagles.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, Dec. 1, 2007 at St. Denis Catholic Church with the Rev. David Vincent officiating. Burial followed in St. Valbert Cemetery, in Versailles.

Bailey Zechar Funeral Home, in Versailles, handled the arrangements.