

## Vernon "Morrie" Frey

Vernon "Morrie" Frey, 77, 17 Elm St.,

Fort Loramie, died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004 in Heritage Manor Nursing Center, Minster.

Mr. Frey was born Feb. 5, 1926 in Osgood, the son of the late Joseph and Cecilia Bruening Frey. He married Juliana Schlater, May 15, 1951. She survives.



Other survivors include a son Rex (Louise) of Fort Loramie, and a daughter Patrice (Kevin) Muhlenkamp of Egypt, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

Sisters and brothers Dorothy (Herbert) Hoying of Sidney, Walter (Bernice) of Osgood, Marion (Walter) Braun of Maria Stein, Betty Ann (Cyril) Overman of Maria Stein, Marilyn (Don) Homan of Coldwater, and Alberta (Wilfred) Bruns of St. Sebastian, also survive.

Mr. Frey was a member of St. Michael Church, Fort Loramie, and the Men's Society of the church.

He was a life member and Past Commander of the Fort Loramie American Legion Post 355, and Past Second District Commander. He was instrumental in organizing the Shelby County Veterans Services and he is in the District American Legion Hall of Fame.

He was the Fort Loramie Fire Chief from 1960 to 1972 and was instrumental in organizing the Fort Loramie Rescue Squad in 1975, where he was chief for 10 years.

Mr. Frey belonged to the FOE 1391 in Minster, and he was a charter member of the Fort Loramie Kiwanis. He was a member of the Fort Loramie Booster Club, the Newport Sportsmen, the Miami Valley Council of Boy Scouts Troop 355, and the National Federation of Police Associations. He was a WWII Navy veteran.

Mr. Frey was a retired barber and the Police Chief of Fort Loramie for 21 years. He served on the Fort Loramie Village Council for seven years.

His hobbies included woodworking, bowling and following high school sports.

Rev. Steven Shoup and Rev. Leo Hoying, concelebrated a Mass of Christian Burial, Feb. 6 at St. Michael Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery with military honors by the Fort Loramie American Legion and a special dispatch of the For t Loramie Rescue Squad to the cemetary.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Minster, handled the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fort Loramie Rescue Squad and Fort Loramie Fire Department.