

Earl J. Giere

Earl J. Giere, 71, 420 W. Main St., Coldwater, died Friday, Feb. 27, 2004 in Briarwood Manor Nursing Home.

Mr. Giere was born March 31, 1932 in Coldwater, the son of the late Edward and Olive Neihle Giere.

He married Gabriella Lobianco July 4, 1959 in Clarksburg, W.V. She survives.

Other survivors include sons Steve (Rita) of Westerville, Ohio, Dennis (Patti) of Fort Wayne, Ind. and Ken of Chicago, Ill; a daughter Deb (Ron) Osterholt of St. Henry; and seven grandchildren.

A brother Oliver of Coldwater and a sister Rita McDevitt of Coldwater, also survive.

Six brothers and two sisters have preceded him in death.

Mr. Giere was a member of Holy Trinity Church, Coldwater, and the Holy Name Society of the church. He belonged to the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 3025 in Coldwater, and was a 25-year member of the Coldwater Fire Department. He was a former member of the village council.

He was a retired co-owner of Alumetal Manufacturing in Celina.

Rev. Ronald Wilker celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial, March 2 in Holy Trinity Church. Burial followed in St. Elizabeth Cemetery, Coldwater.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Coldwater, handled the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to State of the Heart Home Health and Hospice.