

Thursday, October 1, 2009

Donald J. Hierholzer

Donald J. Hierholzer, 88, of Coldwater, died Monday, Sept. 21, 2009 at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima.



He was born on Aug. 4, 1921 in Coldwater to the late Anthony and Leona (Myer) Hierholzer. On Aug. 31, 1945 he married Faye Arnett who died May 26, 1981. On Oct. 28, 1989 he married Irma (Monroe) Vagedes who survives.

Also surviving are his children, Cheryl (Leon) Bergman of Maria Stein and Karen (Alfred) Dicksen of Union City, four step-children: Mike (Mary) Vagedes of Tipp City, John (Bonnie) Vagedes of Ft. Loramie, Rich (Betty Jo) Vagedes of Peru, Ind., and Deb Anderson of Jamestown, Tenn.; as well as nine grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, 11 step-great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren. Preceding him in death are a son James Hierholzer and a brother Anthony Hierholzer.

He retired as a foreman from the former Pet Milk, Inc. after 42 years. He attended Holy Trinity Catholic Church, the Men's Holy Name of the Church and the Fraternal Order of Eagles #3025 Coldwater.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Friday, Sept. 25, 2009 with Rev. Barry Stechschulte officiating. Burial followed at St. Elizabeth Cemetery in Coldwater. Hogenkamp Funeral Home in Coldwater handled the arrangements.