

E. Paul (Bud) Knapke

E. Paul (Bud) Knapke of Coldwater, Ohio, died Saturday, January 15, 2005, at 12:55 p.m. at his residence. He was 70 years old.

He was born February 21, 1934, the son of Arthur and Agnes (Henke) Knapke. On November 23, 1961, he married Mary Sudhoff in St. Anthony, Oh, and she survives.

Mr. Knapke is also survived by a son, Jack (Shelly) Knapke of Cincinnati; four daughters: Laurie (Craig) Muhlenkamp of Coldwater, Paul (Tim) Hawk of Cincinnati, Gay (Mark) Brunswick of Bellefontaine and Connie (Kurt) Barhorst of Sidney; 10 grandchildren; and two sisters, Verlina (Ervin) Ahrens of Osgood and Doris Ann (Duke) Brunswick of St. Henry.

A carpenter for Wagner Construction, Mr. Knapke was a Medal Gold Distributor for eight years and worked as an HVAC technician for CW Service in Coldwater, retiring in 1999. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church and was a member of the Men's Holy Name Society for the church, a member of Knights of Columbus Council 1991 in Coldwater, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles #3205 in Coldwater.

A veteran, Mr. Knapke served in the U.S. Army as an engineer in Fort Dix from 1956-1958. He was a member of the Coldwater American Legion Post 470 and the Coldwater VFW Post 5135.

Funeral services were held Wednesday,

January 19, 2005 in Holy Trinity Catholic Church, where Fr. Ronald Wilker officiated. Burial followed at St. Elizabeth Cemetery in Coldwater where the American Legion and VFW Post conducted military rites.

Memorial contributions may be given to State of the Heart Home Health and Hospice in Coldwater and the Gerad Center for Cancer Treatment in Celina.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home in Coldwater handled the arrangements.