

Alexander Koesters

Alexander Koesters, 85, 6251 St. Rt. 274, Celina, Ohio died at 8:35 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, 2005 at Mercer County Community Hospital, Coldwater, Ohio

He was born April 12, 1919 in Mercer County to the late Bernard and Catherine (Link) Koesters. He was married September 1, 1943 in Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Coldwater to Rita M. Koesters who preceded him in death on December 29, 2005.

He is survived by six sons, Robert (Bonnie) Koesters, Ansonia; Norbert (Mary Lou) Koesters, Minster; Paul (Jeanne) Koesters, Plantation, Fla.; Joe (Vera) Koesters, New Bremen; Carl (Kathy) Koesters, Fort Recovery; Roger (Nancy) Koesters, Carthage; and seven daughters, Ginny (Herb) Nieport, Ansonia; Irene Koesters, Celina; Jane (Don) Prenger, Minster; Rose (Gary) Prenger, Minster; Teresa (Steve) Wacker, Minster; Connie Hatcher, St. Marys; Marge (Gordon) Luedeke, New Bremen; 50 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

He is also survived by one sister, Sr. M. Assumpta Koesters, Celina; one foster sister, Pat (Walter) Harlett, St. Henry; a special friend, Laura Wendel, Fort Recovery; brother in law, Tom (Kate) Roessner, Bloomville, Ohio; and sisters in law, Leona Kisters, Antoinette Garritty, Belva Jean Roessner all of St. Henry and Loretta Schroer of Coldwater.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Ted, Florence, Leander, Br. Arthur and Richard and two sisters, Sr. Justina and Sr. Agnes.

He was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Carthage and the Knight of Columbus Council 1991, Coldwater, Ohio; The Celina Moose Lodge and the N.A.I.M. of the North.

He was a farmer and neighborhood electrician. He was chief engineer at St. Charles Center in Carthage for 43 years and on the maintenance crew at Mercer County Community Hospital for 10 years.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 2, 2005 at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Carthage, Ohio with Fr. Tony Fortman officiating. Burial followed in St. Aloysius Cemetery.

Memorials were directed to St. Henry Life Squad.