

Don Niekamp

Don Niekamp, 72, 44 E. Walnut St., Chickasaw, died Saturday, April 6, 2002 in his residence.

Mr. Niekamp was born Nov. 17, 1929 in New Bremen, the son of the late Alfred and Martha Deppen Niekamp.

He married Audrey Garman Niekamp, July 8, 1950 in Immaculate Conception Church, Celina. She survives.

Other survivors include son Rick (Jan) of Coldwater; daughters, Diane (Marv) Boeckman of Wapakoneta, Sandi (Steve) Rammel of St. Marys, Karen (Tom) Hess of Chickasaw, and Pam (Dennis) Schulze of New Bremen; brothers, Cy (Roberta) of Montezuma, Moe (Diane) of New Bremen, Dale (Shirley) of Coldwater, and Larry (Betty) of Minster; sisters, Bernice (Mark) Kremer of St. Henry, Ruth (Evert) Dorsten of Montezuma, Nita (Joe) DeLellis of Dayton, and Jan (Ed) Imalle of Vandalia; 22 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Two grandchildren and a sister Doris, as well as three siblings in infancy preceded him in death.

Mr. Niekamp was a member of Precious Blood Church, Chickasaw. He was a member of the St. Marys Tri Squares, and a former Chickasaw volunteer fireman. He was once a member of the Chickasaw town council. He was a former little league coach and one of the founders of the Chickasaw park. He was an advisor for the Chickasaw Boys 4-H Club.

He was retired from Goodyear, St. Marys and a member of the Top Ten Club at Goodyear.

Fr. Kenneth Schroeder celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial April 9 at Precious Blood Church. Burial followed in the Precious Blood Cemetery.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Coldwater, handled the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mercer/Darke County Hospice, 810 W. Main St., Coldwater, OH 45828.