

## Jerome J. Ruschau

Jerome J. "Jim" Ruschau, 76, 305 Greenville Rd., St. Marys, formerly of Maria Stein, died Sunday, Nov. 9, 2003 in St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima.

Mr. Ruschau was born Jan. 20, 1927 in Maria Stein, the son of the late Bernard and Catherine Buehler Ruschau.

He married Pauline Mescher, May 29, 1954. She survives.

Other survivors include sons: Michael (Karen), Cridersville; Mark (Theresa), New Bremen, and David (Molly) of Avon, Ohio; and a daughter Sandra (Tim) Hirshfeld of St. Marys; and nine grandsons.

A brother Wilfred (Luella) of Dayton and a sister Mary Catherine Riethman of Minster also survive.

Six brothers preceded him in death.

Mr. Ruschau was a member of St. John Catholic Church, Maria Stein, and the Men's Sodality of the church. He was a church usher.

He belonged to the Maria Stein American Legion, and he had served as a World War II Army veteran who served in Japan.

He was retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber, St. Marys.

Rev. Kenneth Schroeder celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial, Nov. 12 in St. John Church.

Burial followed with full military honors, graveside, in the church cemetery.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Minster, handled the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, or to the St. John Steeple Fund.