

Leo W. Schmidt

Leo W. Schmidt, 88, of Vandalia, passed away Monday, Feb. 5, 2007, at Hospice of Dayton, after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 15, 1918, in Yorkshire, son of the late John and Elizabeth (Sturwold) Schmidt. On June 18, 1946, Leo married Marie Mescher at St. John's Catholic Church, in Maria Stein.

Leo is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marie (Mescher) Schmidt; sons Robert and Wife Marge, of Tipp City; Ron and Virgil, both of Vandalia; Mike and wife Cheral, of Texas; daughters Patricia and Susan, Barbara and husband John Ross; seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and three step-grandchildren; a brother Ray and wife Viola Schmidt, of Yorkshire; two sisters Henrietta and husband Sam Doseck, of Fort Loramie and Adella Henke, of Versailles. He was preceded in death by his brother, Lawrence, and sister-in-law, Ruth, as well as brothers-in-law August Schlater, Julius Henke and Louis Borchers.

Leo was a member of St. Christopher Catholic Church, in Vandalia, for 45 years. He was an active neighborhood watch coordinator and was a substitute teacher at MCJVS in the machine trades. He served in World War II in the Army Air Corp 18th Repair Squadron from 1942

to 1945. He was a retired employee of Frigidaire (GM) where he worked for 35 years and retired from in 1980. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Christopher Catholic Church on Friday, Feb. 9, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Robert Monnin officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Hills Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Morton and Whetstone Funeral Home at 139 S. Dixie Dr., in Vandalia, on Thursday evening from 4 to 8 p.m.

If so desired, contributions may be made to Hospice of Dayton in Leo's memory.