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Frederick A. Schulze

Frederick "Fred" A. Schulze, 63, of S. Main St.., Minster, passed away of natural causes on Monday afternoon, Oct. 15, 2012, at the Joint Township District Memorial Hospital ER in St. Marys.



He was born on Nov. 16, 1948, at Fort Loramie, the son of Frederick and Mary (Streacker) Schulze, and they preceded him in death.

On Sept. 25, 1971, at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church in Maria Stein, he married Karen (Bertke) Schulze, and she survives.

He is also survived by a son, Carl and Kathy Schulze of Cold Water; daughter-in-law, Brenda Schulze of Minster; five grandchildren, Jasmine, Clayton, Andrew, Cory and Chad Schulze; seven siblings, Richard Schulze of McCartyville, Doris and Elmer Rutchilling of Yorkshire, Wilfred Schulze of Piqua, Raymond and Betty Schulze of Sidney, Ed and Ruth Schulze of Newport, Marlene McMullen of Troy, Lavern and Diane Schulze of St. Henry; brother-in-law, Charles Mertz of Sidney; mother-in-law, Ellen "Annie" Bertke of Maria Stein; brothers and sisters-in-law, Bob and Barb Bertke of Pioneer, Pat and Ken Bensman of New Bremen, Bev and John Froning of Lake City, Tenn., Tom and Kathy Bertke of Celina, Fred and Geri Bertke of New Knoxville, Mark and Joan Baumer of Coldwater, Pat and Joyce Berger of Coldwater, Connie and Eric Seger of Fort Loramie, Virgil and Jane Bertke of St. Marys, Pam and Jim Simon of Troy, Randy and Kim Bertke of Franklin, N.C.

He was preceded also in death by one son, David Schulze; a sister, Alma Mertz; sisters-in-law, Betty and Mary Schulze; brother-in-law, Bob McMullen.

He was a 1966 graduate of Fort Loramie High School and had also been previously employed at Crown Equipment Corp. in New Bremen. An avid Browns fan, Fred also enjoyed assembling jigsaw puzzles and entertaining his grandchildren. He was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church.

A Mass of Christian burial was held at 10 a.m., Friday, Oct. 19, at St. Augustine Church in Minster, with the Rev. Rick Nieberding officiating. Interment followed at Precious Blood Cemetery in Chickasaw.

Memorial contributions may be directed to a charity of donor's choice.

Condolences may be expressed at www.gehretfuneralhome.com.