

Thursday, June 9, 2011

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## Ralph R. Schilling

Ralph R. Schilling, 86, of Coldwater, passed away at 6:11 a.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at Briarwood Village in Coldwater.

He was born on Aug. 3, 1924, in Ft. Recovery to Philip and Philamena (Thoma) Schilling.

On June 26, 1947, he married Irene (Siefiring) and she survives in Coldwater.

He is also survived by five children: Patty Schilling of Tiffin, Terry Padney of Bay Village, Joanne Schilling of Westerville, Rick Schilling of Coldwater and Thomas and Cathy Schilling of Oakwood; a son-in-law: Butch Duerr of Coldwater; four grandchildren: Christine and Rob Jahn, Doug and Andrea Duerr, Gina Padney and McClelland Schilling; six great-grandchildren: Sarah, Katie, Gracie and Sophia Jahn and Norah and Curtis Duerr; a sister: Helene Doll of Coldwater and two sisters-in-law: Dolly Schilling of Midland, Mich. and Marie Schilling of Coldwater.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter: Sharon Duerr; a son-in-law: Edward Padney; three sisters: Edna and Al Jano, Ruth and Andrew Busch and Esther and Hubert Jones; three brothers: Vincent and Maryan Schilling, Regis Schilling and Eugene Schilling; a brother-in-law: Tony Doll.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society, a charter member of the Coldwater V.F.W., a member of the Coldwater American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in WWII for which he was awarded a Purple Heart. He worked at Pax Steel in Coldwater and was retired from the former New Idea Plant in Coldwater.

A Mass of Christian burial was held at 10:30 a.m. June 4 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Coldwater. Burial followed in St. Elizabeth Cemetery in Coldwater.

Memorial may be directed to the American Heart Association or State of the Heart Hospice. Condolences may be left at [hogenkampfh.com](http://hogenkampfh.com).