

June 5, 1923

March 1, 2013

Roman A. Eickholt Sr., 89, of Ottoville died at 10:06 p.m. Friday, at his residence.

He was born June 5, 1923, in Ottoville to John C. and Matilda (Miller) Eickholt, who preceded him in death.

On July 10, 1943, he married Agnes J. Schwaiger, who preceded him in death on Feb. 26, 2000. He then married Margaret Wehri Dickman, who preceded him in death on Feb. 12, 2012.

He is survived by his children, Roman (Pat) Eickholt Jr. of Continental, Bob (Donna) Eickholt,

Terry (Stacy) Eickholt and Alan (Ann Rayle) Eickholt of Cloverdale, Mary (Ken) Doseck of Upper Sandusky and Bonnie (Bill) Beining, Leah (Dan) Ditto and Lisa (Albert) Bilimek of Cloverdale; 10 stepchildren, James (Karen) Clementz and George (Melinda) Clementz of Cridersville, Frank (Cathy) Clementz of Spencerville, Ronald (Elizabeth) Clementz of Lima, Robert Clementz of Rochester, Mich., Vernon Clementz of Monroe, Mich., Alan (Terri) Clementz of New Boston, Mich., Margene (Ronald) Craft of St. Marys, Mary (Robert) McBeth of Cridersville, Julie Clementz of Wapakoneta and Carol (Clyde) Verhoff of Fort Loramie; stepdaughter-in-law, Patricia Clementz; brother, Orval (Olivia) Eickholt of Cloverdale; sister, Calista Miller of Landeck; two sisters-in-law, Virgina Eickholt of Lima and Dolores Eickholt of Ottawa; 22 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Joyce Eickholt; son, John Eickholt; grandson, Adam Eickholt; great-granddaughter, Camryn Mansfield; stepson, Lawrence Clementz; stepdaughter and stepson-in-law, Sharon (Phillip) Fry; two brothers, Ralph Eickholt and Vince Eickholt; two sisters, Katherine Altenburger and Agnes Ulrich; a half sister, Alvertice "Dolly" Friemoth; and three brothers-in-law, Arnie Miller, Bill Ulrich and Ralph Altenburger.

Mr. Eickholt was a lifelong farmer and retired in 1985 from Fruehauf Trailers, Delphos. He was a World War II Navy veteran. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Ottoville, and was a life member of both the Ottoville VFW and Defiance AmVets. He retired from the Putnam County Fair Board in 2003 after serving for 41 years. He loved polka dancing and was a member of the Ohio Polka Boosters.

He was above all, a loving husband, father and grandfather. He loved spending time with them and would always put their needs before his own. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and working all kinds of puzzles.

Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Ottoville, with Rev. John Stites officiating. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Ottoville, with military rites by the Ottoville VFW. Visitation will be held from 2-8 p.m. today at Love-Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Jackson Township, where a scripture service will be held 2 p.m. and an AmVets and VFW service will be held 7 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church or the charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be expressed at www.lovefuneralhome.com.

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