



Sweinhagen E. Melvin

May 18, 2010

Melvin E. Sweinhagen, 88, of Napoleon, Ohio died May 18, 2010 at his home. He was born on December 24, 1921 in Adams Twp., Defiance, Ohio to the late John and Mary (Meyer) Sweinhagen. On February 25, 1943, he married Lola E. (Eickhoff) Sweinhagen, who survives in Napoleon, Ohio. Mel was a material clerk at General Motors Central Foundry in Defiance for 35 years retiring in 1984 and a member of the UAW Local 211. He was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Napoleon, where he served as an elder, choir member, witness and outreach, and the stewardship board. He is survived by his wife, Lola, and children, Judy Martin and Jerry (Karen) Sweinhagen all of Napoleon, Ohio; Jeffrey (Penny) Sweinhagen of Grand Rapids, Ohio; Joel (Rebecca) Sweinhagen, and daughter-in-law, Vickie Sweinhagen all of Defiance, Ohio; 6 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death a son, James and a great granddaughter, Stefanie Marie; brothers, Fred Bruns, Elmer Sweinhagen and a sister Ruth Richards. Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 21, at 11:00 AM at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Napoleon, officiating Pastors Peter Marcis, Charles Kramer, and John Holyer. A lunch will immediately follow the funeral service at the church. Committal Services will be held on Friday at Riverview Memory Gardens in Defiance, Ohio at 2:00 PM following the lunch. Visitation will be on Thursday at Rodenberger Funeral Home in Napoleon from 2-5 and 6-8 PM and 1 hour prior to services at the church on Friday. Suggested memorials are to St. Paul Lutheran Church Endowment Fund or to St. Paul

Lutheran School or to a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made at www.rodembergerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Holly, So sorry to hear of your loss. I will be praying for you and your family. Please take care.##imported-begin##Roberta Koeller##imported-end##*

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“ *My sympathy to the family. I knew Karen back in the good old days of 4-H and Vickie is my 2nd cousin. May God be with you at this time.##imported-begin##Norma Wheeler Weis##imported-end##*

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“ *Lola, Jeff and Joel Sorry to hear of your loss. May God give you strength and peace.##imported-begin##Terry Hershberger##imported-end##*

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“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time of loss, may the Lord give you comfort when you need it.##imported-begin##David And Julie Barnes##imported-end##*

May 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Lola & family, We would like to extend our deepest sympathy on the passing of Mel. Always enjoyed talking with him and you both are great memories of St. Paul. God's Peace!##imported-begin##Pasor & Gale Koy##imported-end##*

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