



Mr. I. Gessner

September 7, 1917 - February 15, 2010

Ralph I. Gessner, 92 of Milersburg, formally of Pillow, PA, passed away Monday, February 15th 2010 peacefully at The Manor at Susquehanna Village, Millersburg, PA.

Ralph was born in Jackson Twp on September 7, 1917, the son of the late William D. and Jennie (Wert) Gessner. He was the widower of the late Elsie (Knoarr) Gessner. He was a member of the Emmanuel Wesleyan Church, Gratz and served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He worked as a lumber man, the original owner and operator of Gessner Logging, Lykens Twp. He was an avid big game hunter.

Ralph is survived by a daughter, Verdanine wife of Charles Bonawitz of Berrysburg, two sons Dale husband of Arlene Gessner of Dalmatia, and Vernon husband of Dorcas Gessner of Lykens Twp. He is also survived by two sisters, Ester Maneval of Dalmatia and Violet Gessner of Gratz. Also by 8 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be on Thursday, February 18 from 7-9 PM at the Emmanuel Wesleyan Church Gratz, PA and on Friday, February 19 from 1-2PM, also at the church. Religious service will be on Friday at 2PM at the church also. Internment will be at the Emmanuel Wesleyan Church Cemetery, Gratz, PA

James A. Reed Funeral Home, Pillow, PA is in charge of the arrangements. To sign the on line guest book visit, www.reedfh.com