

## **The News-Banner, Bluffton, Indiana**

Jacob J. Eicher, 61, Berne area farmer, died at 4:15 p.m. Sunday [11/12/2000] at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne from complications of injuries sustained in an Oct. 28 truck-buggy accident.

A member of the Old Order Amish, he was born in Adams County June 27, 1939 to Joe E. and Elizabeth Girod Eicher. His marriage in Adams County on Feb. 4, 1960 was to Edith Schwartz, who survives.

Surviving also are eight sons, Jacob D. and Sam D., both of Bryant, Joseph D., Abraham D., Paul D., Levi D. and Enos, all of Berne, and Ben D. of Geneva; 10 daughters, Mrs. Dan T. (Dehlia) Schwartz, Mrs. Dan F. (Ann) Schwartz and Ruth Eicher, all of Berne, Mrs. Joe L. D. (Elizabeth) Schwartz and Mrs. Martin (Marie) Wickey, both of Decatur, Mrs. Walter (Clara) Hilty and Mrs. William E. (Bertha) Schwartz, both of Monroe, Mrs. Enos R. (Edith) Girod and Mrs. Ernest (Emma) Christner, both of Geneva, and Mrs. Mark (Martha) Yoder of Willshire, Ohio.; and 94 grandchildren.

Others surviving are three brothers, Joseph J. of Geneva, and Sam J. and Ben J., both of Berne; and six sisters, Mrs. Henry M. (Elizabeth) Schwartz and Mrs. Joe D.J. (Margaret) Schwartz, both of Berne, Mrs. Sam (Frances) Brandenburger of New Haven, Mrs. Reuben N. (Mary) Schwartz of Monroe, and Mrs. Peter L. (Naomi) Neuenschwander and Mrs. Raymond N. (Emma) Schwartz, both of Geneva. Two sisters are deceased.

Services will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday at the family residence, 5121E 500S, Berne (Adams County). Burial will be in Amish Bluecreek Cemetery. Calling hours at the residence will be Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Arrangements are by Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home in Berne.

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