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The brother of a rural Ossian man, Arno C. Girod, 70, Decatur, died Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007 in the Adams Memorial Hospital Emergency Room.

Born in Adams County on July 4, 1937 to Glen and Irene (Peck) Girod, he married Carolyn Hirschy on April 5, 1959 in Magley; she survives.

A longtime farmer retiring in 1998, he was also a truck driver for D. L. Schwartz Co. and Swiss Perfection and served nine years in the Indiana Army National Guard. He served on the Adams County Farm Bureau Board, was a member of the board of directors for Allen Dairy in Fort Wayne for eight years, serving as board secretary for five years. He was a member of the Monroe United Brethren Church.

Other survivors include four daughters, Diane (Michael) Ripley of Monroe, Karen (Terry) Fawcett of Decatur, Denise (Kevin) Degler of Portland, and Amy (Todd) Yoder of Churchville, Va.; a son, Kevin (Lisa) Girod of Berne; three brothers, Gery (Carol) Girod, Kent (Charlsie) Girod, both of Decatur, and Ron (Susan) Girod of rural Ossian; a sister, Nyla (Richard) Johnson of Pleasant Mills; and 20 grandchildren.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Monroe United Brethren Church. Calling hours are at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home in Decatur on Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m., Wednesday from noon to 4 and 5 to 8 p.m., and Thursday for one hour prior to the services at the church.

Burial will be in Ray Cemetery, Monroe. Preferred memorials are to the church.

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