

# OBITUARIES

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## Orville M. Davis

ARGYLE — Orville M. Davis, age 92, of Argyle, died on Monday, October 2, 2006 following a brief illness.

A Memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2006, at the Apple Grove Lutheran Church, Apple Grove Church Road and Hwy. 81, west of Argyle, from 10:00 AM until the time of the memorial service. The memorial service will follow the gathering at the Apple Grove Lutheran Church at 11:00 AM with Pastor Dan Bohlman officiating. Luncheon will follow the memorial service at the Gnarly Oak at the Yellowstone Golf Course, Old "Q" Road.



Orville was born on September 19, 1914 in Argyle, LaFayette County, Wisconsin. He was the son of Oscar D. and Christine (Hansen) Davis. Orville was united in marriage to Sara (Sally) Miller on November 12, 1938, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. For many years they farmed the family homestead in rural Blanchardville. Orville was a mechanic by trade and worked for John Deere dealerships in Blanchardville and Madison. He also spent many years buying and hauling livestock in the Argyle area. He was an avid outdoorsman and especially enjoyed hunting, fishing and trapping. On July 4, 1980 Orville caught a record Brown Trout in Lake Superior and was honored with a trophy and watch for his fishing success. He also enjoyed playing cards, reading, following sports and politics. In 1977, Orville and his wife Sally retired in Port Wing on the south shore of Lake Superior. Gardening and lawn care became his new hobby. They then moved to Juneau in 1997 to be closer to their family.

Survivors include his two daughters, Barbara (Stan) Smith of Juneau and Marianne (Bruce) Sheetz of Chili, Wisconsin; his three granddaughters, Marla (Todd) Erdman of Beaver Dam, Katharine Sheetz of St. Louis Park, MN, and Samantha Sheets of U.W. Superior; his great-granddaughter, Selena Erdman; his two sisters, Norma Arnot of Argyle and Lillian (Al) Davitt of Green Bay; special friends James (Sue) Peterson of Blanchardville, Mike Mulcahy of Darlington, the bear hunting gang, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Sara (Sally), of 61 years; three brothers, Donald, George and Paul; three sisters, Olive (Leo) Leary, Alice (Henry) Anderson and Nina (Jack) Schwalbe, and one grandson, Benjamin John Sheetz.

The Murray Funeral Home in Horicon is serving the family. 920-485-2217 [www.MurrayFH.com](http://www.MurrayFH.com)