



Richard S. Rhoades

January 26, 1923 - June 27, 2008

Richard S. "Mohawk" Rhoades, 85, of Waterson Road, Strattanville, died peacefully at his home, Friday, June 27, 2008.

Born Jan. 26, 1923, in Salem Township, Clarion County, he was the son of Vernon L. and Mary M. McCleary Rhoades.

He was married Aug. 29, 1955, to Virginia Gross, and she survives.

Mr. Rhoades worked for LEF&C Railroad for 35 years, retiring in 1983. He worked from conductor to engineer. He also farmed the family farm.

He was of the Protestant faith.

He enjoyed hunting, riding his four-wheeler, watching birds and was a member of the Eagles in Clarion.

Richard loved his children and grandchildren and especially doted on his great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife and children, William A. Rhoades and wife, Phyllis, of Michigan, Betty Mumford of Brookville, Dennis L. Rhoades of Brookville, Richard B. Rhoades and wife, Belinda, of Strattanville, Woodrow G. Rhoades and wife, Linda, of Maryland, Robin L. Aaron and husband, Melvin, of Strattanville, Sheldon D. Rhoades and wife, Kathy, of Strattanville, Daniel G. Rhoades and wife, Stephanie, of Clarion and Wesley M. Rhoades and wife, Chris, of Sligo; 17 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Howard Rhoades of Clarion and Gerald "Jake" Rhoades and wife, Annie, of Bradford.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Ralph and Frank

Rhoades; and one great-granddaughter, Mikayla Rhoades.

Calling hours will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion and from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the Strattanville United Methodist Church.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the church with the Rev. Julie Applegate, pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Strattanville Cemetery.