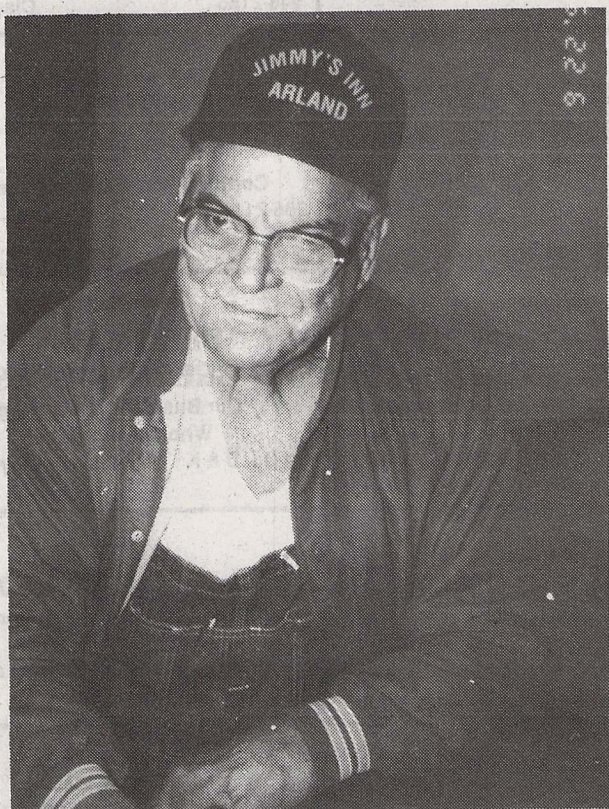


Local Businessman Passes Away



BERNARD "BRUNO" LEISZ

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 22, 1994, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Ann Catholic Church in Turtle Lake for Bernard "Bruno" Leisz, 80, of Turtle Lake, who passed away at home on Wednesday, October 19, 1994. Father John Spanjers officiated. Burial of cremains was at St. Ann's Cemetery at Turtle Lake. Pallbearers were David Sheldon, Doug Ritchie, Larry Rafflesberger, Merlin Wagner, Kenneth Wagner, and Michael Janikowski. Skinner Funeral Home of Turtle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Bruno was born December 19, 1913 in Turtle Lake, the son of Rosalia and Michael Leisz. He attended Turtle Lake Schools where his love of athletic competition began with his participation in football, basketball and baseball.

Bruno was an Army veteran of World War II. He was united in marriage to Marion DeBoer on May 1945, in Barron. They made their home in Turtle Lake where Bruno

owned and operated Turtle Lake Implement Company for 47 years.

Bruno believed that given the opportunity and encouragement, each young person could become a successful adult. Several young men began their business with a part-time job at Turtle Lake Implement. His advice to them was, "Learn all you can everyday by keeping your eyes and ears open. Then when you don't have anything else to do, sweep the floors."

Bruno is survived by one son, Michael and his wife, Julie, of Chippewa Falls; one daughter, Laura M., Mrs. Clifton Johnson of Pine City, MN; four grandchildren; three great grandchildren; three sisters, Rosalia Wagner of New Brighton, MN, Florence Leisz of Chicago, IL, and Margaret Rafflesberger of Almena; and his business partner and surrogate son, Dan Helling of Turtle Lake. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marion on October 13, 1990, as well as by one brother, one sister, and a grandson.