



## Frederick A. Birdsell Sr.

May 3, 1917 - February 14, 2012

ADRIAN – Frederick A. Birdsell Sr., 94, of Clayton, passed away Tuesday, February 14, 2012, at Provincial House.

Born May 3, 1917, in Hopkins, Michigan, Frederick was the youngest child of the late Alanzo and Marguerite (Routson) Birdsell. During World War II, Fred served his country in the Army.

On March 28, 1937, Fred married Helen E. Ragless. Fred and Helen celebrated 62 years of marriage prior to her death in 1999.

Fred retired from Tecumseh Products where he worked for over 30 years in various capacities. He was also a farmer. Fred was a founding member of the Faith Lutheran Church in Metamora, Ohio. He was also a member of the VFW Annis Fint Post #1584.

Fred is survived by his children: Fred (Donna) Birdsell II of Adrian; Bill (Connie Rathbun) Birdsell of Clayton; and Peggy (Harlan) Smith of Waldron; 9 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and his very special friend, Alice Dewey.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a brother, Vernon Birdsell; sister, Leona Gallup; and daughter, JoAnn Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 17, 2012, at Wagley Funeral Home with military honors by the VFW Annis Fint Post #1584. Burial will follow at South Dover Cemetery. Friends may visit the family at the funeral home on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Contributions in memory of Fred may be made to Hospice of Lenawee. You may also send condolences to the family at [www.WagleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## South Dover Cemetery

9490 Tomer Road  
Dover Township, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)  
1501 W. Maumee St.  
Adrian, MI 49221  
(517) 263-1400  
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com  
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## Service

FEB 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Frederick A. Birdsell Sr.*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Ann Marie Valdes lit a candle in memory of Frederick A. Birdsell Sr.*



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**Ann Marie Valdes** - February 15, 2012 at 04:06 PM



“ *Shayna Ashley Marie Valdes lit a candle in memory of Frederick A. Birdsell Sr.*



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**Shayna Ashley Marie Valdes** - February 15, 2012 at 04:02 PM