

Leslie Lee Pearce, age 92, of Manor passed away Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, at his home. Leslie was born Oct. 13, 1924, to John and Ida (Goericke) Pearce in Austin, Texas. He served in the United States Army during World War II, receiving a Bronze Star. Leslie worked as a Police officer for the City of Austin for 30 years, retiring with the rank of Sergeant. After retirement he moved to Manor to live on the Family Farm.

Leslie was a very active member of New Sweden Lutheran Church, where he served with a group of men called the "Wise Men of New Sweden." He loved fishing, playing 42, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Helen (Anderson) Pearce; son, John Pearce and wife Gayla; daughters, Sharon Boecker, and Helen Santos and husband David. He is also survived by six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, and a host of other family members and friends.

A visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 9, at Providence-Jones Family Funeral Home. A Celebration of Leslie's Life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 10, at New Sweden Lutheran Church in Manor. He will be laid to rest with Honors in the New Sweden Church Cemetery.