

## **Maurer, Joseph**

Joseph T. Maurer, 78, of Elkton died Sunday morning, Aug. 19, 2001, at his home while under hospice care. He was born on Aug. 12, 1923, in Rapson to the late John and Caroline Maurer and grew up in the Smith Corners area. In June of 1945 he entered the U.S. Army and served in Africa during World War II. On May 10, 1959, he was united in marriage to Phyllis G. Phillips at the Bad Axe Methodist Church. Mr. Maurer farmed in the early years of his life. He had been employed at Hamill Manufacturing 17 years and retired from U.S. Manufacturing in 1989. In 1991, they moved to Elkton from the Bad Axe-Filion area. Surviving are his wife, Phyllis; a son, Ronald Maurer and his wife, Marlo, of Elkton; two daughters, Jeannette Brade and her husband, Gene, of Bad Axe, Nancy Maurer and her special friend, Keith Nevin; a step son, Jacob Herndon and his wife, Linda, of Bad Axe; two step daughters, Cindy Stamello and her husband, John, of Spokane, Wash., and Vivian Koroleski of Gagetown; seven grandchildren; six step grandchildren; seven step great-grandchildren; three brothers, Fred Maurer and his wife, Christine, of Brown City, Jack Maurer, and Robert Maurer and his wife, Selma, of Filion; sister, Ina Quinn and her husband, Lester, of Marlette. Preceding him in death was a sister, Iva Maurer; and a brother, Vincent Maurer. Private services are being conducted for the family at the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton. The Rev. DeWeerd Smith, pastor of Community Wesleyan Church will officiate with grave side honors by the Elkton VFW at Riverside Cemetery in Elkton. Memorials may be given to the family.