

Respondek, Lawrence

Lawrence J. Respondek, 73, lifelong resident of Bad Axe, died Saturday morning, Aug. 31, 2002, at his home. Lawrence was born May 19, 1929, in Bad Axe to the late Xavier and Sophie (Lemanski) Respondek. He was united in marriage to Betty Hunt on Nov. 18, 1950. Lawrence was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Sacred Heart 50 and Over Club, Knights of Columbus, and McDonald's Food and Family Center Coffee Clutch. He served in the U.S. Army in Panama and Greenland. He was employed with Active Industries for more than 35 years. He loved his family, playing cards, crossword puzzles, fishing, bowling, bingo calling and woodworking. Lawrence is survived by his wife, Betty; two daughters, Sharon Jensen of Bad Axe and Patricia Stephenson of Bad Axe; two sons, Lawrence Respondek and his wife, Constance, of Whittemore and Gary Respondek and his wife, Rose, of Bad Axe; 11 grandchildren, Shawn, Anthony, Renee, Tyrone, Jacob, Ryan, Sarah, Michael, Christopher, Jason and Jeremy; four great-grandchildren, Chandler, Laken, Samantha and Ryan; one sister, Rita Champagne of Bad Axe; one aunt, Connie Mageski of Crosswell; one uncle, George Lemanski of Bad Axe; and several nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial took place at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2002, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Fr. Killop officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery. Memorials may be offered to Sacred Heart Catholic Church or Huron Memorial Hospice.