

Elenbaum, Merrill H.

Merrill Herbert Elenbaum, 98, of Mayville and formerly of Sebewaing, passed away Friday, March 3, 2006, at his son's home in Mayville. He was born in Winsor Township on September 27, 1907, son of the late Alfred and Martha L. (Gregor) Elenbaum. He graduated from Winsor Country School. On June 28, 1928, he was united in marriage to Wilma A. Terrill at the Terrill family farm in Fairhaven Township. Wilma passed away on November 15, 1997 after nearly 70 years of marriage. Mr. Elenbaum was a well-known farmer in the community, farming throughout his lifetime. He was a former member of the Michigan Sugar Board at the Sebewaing plant as well as a former member of the Michigan Milk Producers Association and the Farm Bureau. He was an active member of the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church where he served on the church board. In addition, he was active at Bay Shore Evangelical Camp in Sebewaing. Mr. Elenbaum was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by two sons, Budd (Mary Lou) Elenbaum, of Pigeon, and Ronald (Marilyn E.) Elenbaum, of Mayville; two daughters-in-law, Marjorie Elenbaum and Marilyn A. Elenbaum, both of Sebewaing; a son-in-law, Lyle Thompson, of Clyde; 19 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Myrtle Pringle, of Arkansas; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Norma Thompson; three sons, Junior Merrill, Sherl "Jake", and Gerald; two sisters, Dorothy Shupe and Virginia Niebel; and four brothers, Robert, Lloyd, Ralph, and Donald. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2006, at the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church with the Rev. Douglas Mater and the Rev. Larry Elenbaum officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery in Sebewaing. Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. today, from 1 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon, and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday at the church. Memorials for Mr. Elenbaum may be made to Bay Shore Evangelical Camp or Kilmanagh United Methodist Church.