

HAROLD B. ALEXANDER 1900 - 1990

Harold B. "Barney" Alexander, 89 of Bad Axe and an Elkton native, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 2 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, after an apparent heart attack.

He was born Oct. 30, 1900 on a farm in Chandler Township, son of the late George and Emma (Bouck) Alexander. He was united in marriage to Emma B. Schier on Feb. 11, 1926 in Bowling Green, Ohio.



Mr. Alexander attended a rural school and high school in Elkton. He worked in shops in Detroit to earn money to take a business course at Ferris Institute, Big Rapids. He also took a corresponding course in accounting and was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin School of Banking. He was a bookkeeper at the Elkton Cooperative Farm Produce Co.

In 1929, he moved from Elkton to Bad Axe when his father became Huron County treasurer. Mr. Alexander was deputy county treasurer for the next six years. He was also very active in the Republican Party, serving as a member of the Republican state central and Huron County committees.

He was a state employe from 1935-36 during the administration of Gov. Frank D. Fitzgerald. He then was employed for more than 20 years at the Hubbard State Bank, Bad Axe, first as a teller, then vice president and cashier. He also was a member of the bank's board of directors and was chairman of Group VI of the Michigan Bankers Association.

In recent years, Alexander was a self-employed real estate broker, a member of the Thumb Realtors and chairman of the by-laws committee.

He served in public office for eight years, including supervisor of Bad Axe and on the newly-formed Huron County Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Alexander was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Bad Axe. In addition to extensive civic involvement in Bad Axe, Mr. Alexander enjoyed golfing and fishing and spending time with his family.

Surviving him are his wife, Emma, Bad Axe; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin (Dorothy) Baker, Bad Axe; two grandchildren;