

Smith, Richard

Richard C. Smith, 71, of Caseville died Monday evening, Sept. 24, 2001, at his home while under hospice care. He was born on May 5, 1930, in Hadley. On Oct. 10, 1959, he was united in marriage to Kathleen Lincoln in Oxford. In 1996, while living in Hadley, he became an officer with the Department of Natural Resources, Fish and Waterways Division. In 1979, he moved to Caseville and became the supervisor at the state docks. He retained that position until retiring in 1993. Dick was a fun, outgoing man who enjoyed a joke or two and loved to share stories at Walt's. He was well versed in running heavy equipment, and after retiring, he helped some of the local contractors when they were short handed. He was a member of the Elkton Missionary Church and loved to go hunting for game and deer with his sons. Surviving are seven children, David Smith and his wife, Mary, of Clio, Paul Smith of Caro, Mark Smith and his wife, Beth, of Reese, Rosemary Anderson and her husband, Mark, of Saginaw, Sandra Buchinger and her husband, Mike, of Saginaw, Tim Smith and his wife, Donna, of Bad Axe and Julie McIntosh and her husband, Bob, of Union City, Okla.; 16 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three brothers, Kenny Lewis and his wife, Della, of Dryden, Larry Lewis and his wife, Nancy, of Houston, Texas and Gary Lewis and his wife, Rita, of Dunn, N.C.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 28, 2001, at the Elkton Missionary Church. The Rev. Larry Salsburey, pastor, will officiate with burial in Caseville Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. today, 2 to 9 p.m. on Thursday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville and after 10 a.m. on Friday at the church. Memorials may be given to the Elkton Missionary Outreach Center.