Vobbe, Gayle

Gayle R. Vobbe, 89, a 26-year resident of Almont and formerly of Toledo, Ohio, passed away on Wednesday, June 18, 2003, at Port Huron General Hospital. Gayle was born on July 13, 1913 in Toledo, Ohio, the son of William Henry and Beatrice (Mollenkopft) Vobbe. He married Jeanne Forrest on April 3, 1930 in Toledo, and she preceded him in death in September 1989. Along with his father, they owned "Vobbe's Grocery" located at Cherry and Page Street in Toledo until 1962. Upon moving to Almont, Gayle was a longtime member of the First Congregational Church of Almont. His hobbies included being with his family and friends and golfing. Gayle is survived by his children, Katherine Eschenburg and her husband, Don, of Almont, John "Jack" Thomas Vobbe, of Bad Axe, and Frederick Richard and his wife, Debra, of Lima, Ohio; nine grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; caregiver, Joan Bristol. He was preceded in death by his brother, Carleton in 1993. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, 2003, at the First Congregational Church of Almont with burial to follow in Furguson Cemetery. Arrangements are being handled by the Henry M. Malburg Funeral Home in Romeo. Memorials may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation or to the First Congregational Church of Almont.