

Hockin, Donovan

Donovan J. Hockin, 80, of Caseville died Monday afternoon, Oct. 2, 2000, at Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City. He was born Sept. 10, 1920, in Torch Lake Township, Antrim County, to the late Joseph and Lela Mae (Boals) Hockin. In 1951, he was united in marriage to Willadean Strayhorn in Detroit. She preceded him in death in 1984. Mr. Hockin was a U.S. Marine during World War II, serving in the South Pacific. After the service he became a commercial diver in the construction trade, working under water throughout the United States. In his 30 years, he worked on everything from the Mackinaw Bridge to oil rigs in the ocean. He then started his own trucking business, retiring in 1985. He lived most of his life in Cheboygan and the Caseville area. Surviving are two sons, David Hockin and his wife, Chris, of Caseville, and Gary Hockin and his wife, Barbara, of Milan, Ohio; four grandchildren, Kristen Hockin of Ohio, and Michael, Daniel and Bryan Hockin of Caseville; his brother, Louis Hockin of Pontiac; and two sisters, Josephine Bush of Ortonville and Emma Grant of Royal Oak. He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters. In keeping with his wishes there will be no visitation or funeral service. Burial will be in the Caseville Township Cemetery. A private service will be conducted for the family at a later date. Memorials may be given to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville.