

**Hopka, Julius J.**

Julius J. Hopka, 89, of Elkton, died Saturday, September 25, 2004, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe. He was born in Buffalo, New York on September 14, 1915 to the late Andrew and Bertha Hopka. He was a World War II veteran and a member of the Knights of Columbus in Detroit, St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church in Pigeon, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carpenter-Dorsch #6013 Post in Elkton. He retired from the Chrysler Corporation in 1977. He is survived by eight nieces and nephews: Sidney and Betty Hurlburt, of Elkton; Joanne and Thomas Bubar, of Shelbyville, Indiana; Susan and Larry Hackney, of Bakersfield, California; Ron and Martha Hurlburt, of Aliso Viejo, California; Henry and Carol LaCross, of Fenton; and Bill and Myra LaCross, of Redwood City, California. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Mary Ann Hurlburt, Walter Hopka, John Hopka, Victoria LaCross; and a niece, Jenny Schutt. A funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2004, at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church in Pigeon, with viewing at the church starting at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Elkton. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Monday at Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to the church or Oliver Ambulance of Elkton.