

Hnatiuk, Milton

Milton Hnatiuk, 72, of Harrison and formerly of Caro, died suddenly Friday, May 24, 2003, in Moore Regional Hospital, Southern Pines, N.C. He was born on Aug. 6, 1930 in Bad Axe to Samuel and Mary (Semeniuk) Hnatiuk. Milton was a graduate of Elkton High School, after which he joined the Army, serving in Korea. He worked at General Motors-Saginaw Steering Gear as a forklift driver, retiring after more than 25 years of faithful service. He was a member of the Local UAW 699. After retirement, Milton enjoyed working part-time at Joe's Bar in Reese, having coffee with friends and enjoyed having family get together at his house. He was a former member of the Caro Moose Lodge and current member of the Harrison Moose Lodge. Milton is survived by his three daughters, Rochelle Lynne Hnatiuk, of Apache Junction, Ariz., Deborah Barnett, of Chandler, Ariz., Kimberly Welcher, of Mesa, Ariz. from his marriage to Ruth A. Hnatiuk (Knowlton) of Mesa, Ariz.; grandchildren, Sean Christopher Hnatiuk, Jessica Sue Welcher, Nicholas Dean Barnett, Justin Dean Barnett, Shealome Barnett; special longtime friend and companion, Dolores Tait and her family, of Harrison; sisters, Mildred Schicker of Phoenix, Ariz., Alice Felkner of Phoenix, Ariz., Mary Ruth Hinak of Caro, Elizabeth Smelts of Caro, Lillian Koehler and her husband, Richard, of Pigeon; brothers, Michael Hnatiuk and his wife, Gayle, of Sanford, Daniel Hnatiuk of Flint; and many nieces and nephews. Milton was preceded in death by his son, Brian Keith Hnatiuk; brothers, William and Andrew Hnatiuk. Funeral services conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 28, 2003, at St. Pancratius Church in Cass City with the Rev. Steve Fillion officiating. Interment is in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. today, and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday in the church. Memorials may be made to Harrison Moose Lodge or Caro Moose Lodge. Pallbearers for Mr. Hnatiuk are Gary McAnany, Rodney Koehler, Dick Koehler, Michael Hnatiuk, Phillip Hnatiuk, Dillis Walker.