

WILLIAM KRETZSCHMER, SR.

1918 - 1985

William S. Kretzschmer, 67 of Owendale, passed away Friday, Oct. 4 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, following a lengthy illness.

He was born Feb. 25, 1918 in Owendale, son of the late William and Mary (Thompson) Kretzschmer. On June 17, 1938, he was united in marriage to Rosella Powell in Owendale.

Mr. Kretzschmer was charter president of the Owendale Lions Club and a member of the Owendale Fire Department for more than 40 years. He was a member of Tyler Lodge F&AM No. 317, Cass City, and a member of Bad Axe Commandry No. 52 Knights Templar.

He is survived by his wife, Rosella; one son, William Kretzschmer, Jr.; five daughters, Mrs. Charles (Maureen) Hill, Oklahoma City, OK., Mrs. Ronald (Kathleen) Hofmeister, Traverse City, Mrs. Donald (Marilyn) Kowbel, Bad Axe, Linda Garthe, Milford and Mrs. Richard (Janice) Crockett, Lakeland, FL.; 14 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Edmund Good, Gagetown and Mrs. Norman Emery, Bonita Springs, FL., and two brothers, Lloyd and Homer, both of Owendale.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Oct. 7 at First Baptist Church, Cass City. The Rev. John Wood, pastor, officiated, with burial in Grant Cemetery. Huron County Firefighter's Association conducted a memorial service Sunday at Little's Funeral Home, Cass City, which handled arrangements.