

**Robert Carlton Dore, Sr.**

Robert Carlton Dore, Sr., 87, of McBain, died Friday, Nov. 11, 2011 at the Pine River Health Care in St. Louis.

He was born Jan. 1, 1924 in Port Huron to Franklin and Nettie (Patnode) Dore and they preceded him in death.

Mr. Dore had served in the United States Navy during WW II and had farmed before moving to the McBain area in 1966. Since that time, he had been employed at J.D. Aten Trucking and retired in 1986.

On Nov. 7, 1944 in Port Huron, he married the former Rhea Clark and she survives him, along with their children, Robert (Sandy) Dore, Jr. of Cadillac, Tim (Ramona) Dore of Manton, Mark Dore, Patrick (Barb) Dore of Marion, Scott (Heather) Dore of Portland, Greg Dore of Lake City, Loretta Ellwood of Davison, Karen Lazell of Cadillac, Julie Bonham of McBain, Cindy (Bob) Vennema of McBain, and Rebecca (Rick) Velfling of Cheboygan; 26 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; 9 step-great-grandchildren; and one great- great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Eileen Grondin and two sons-in-law, Dennis Ellwood and Steve Bonham.

Funeral services were conducted today, Monday, Nov. 14, 2011 at the Highland Christian Reformed Church. Burial was in Highland Hillside Cemetery in Osceola County.

Memorial contributions may be made to Heartland Hospice.

Burkholder Funeral Home in McBain handled the arrangements.

An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).