

Gerald "Shakey" Rogers
(April 1, 1931 – May 23, 2011)

Gerald "Shakey" Rogers, 80, of Bad Axe, passed away on Monday, May 23, 2011 at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born on April 1, 1931 in Bad Axe, son of the late Elmer Rogers and Clara (Kiehl) Rogers-Christoson. He married JoAnn Hartshorn on Aug. 7, 1953 in Bad Axe. She preceded him in death on Oct. 22, 2007.

"Shakey" was a well-known carpet cleaner, a business he operated for 40 years. He had also worked at Mosack Tool & Die, sold and installed carpet, drove a semi for Blair trucking, worked for Neeb's and at the Bean Pot Restaurant. He was inducted into the U.S. Army in January of 1953.

He is survived by two daughters, Mary Rogers of Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., Debra (Stan) Kowalewski of Fife Lake; two sons, Bruce Rogers and special friend, Marsha Egnor of Bad Axe, Arthur (Brandy) Rogers of Bad Axe; one like a son, Frank Sweeney of California; one brother, Buck (Jan) Rogers of Bad Axe; one sister, Patricia (Pat) Quinlan of Alexandria, Va.; two sisters-in-law, Naomi Rogers of Bad Axe and Sharon Rogers of Bad Axe; six grandchildren, Michael Rogers, Carey and Bradley Prill, Corey and Cody Rogers and Grant Nichols; one great-granddaughter, AneLiese Prill.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Don, Jack, and Doc Rogers; and one infant sister, Marion Rogers.

Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2011 at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe, officiating will be Rev. Kenneth Lueke, pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday and from 10 a.m. until the time of service Thursday at the Kaufman Funeral Home.