

## **Burkhard, Harley H.**

Harley H. Burkhard, 73, of Bad Axe, passed away on Friday, December 26, 2003, at Covenant Medical Center in Saginaw following a brief illness. He was born on March 24, 1930 in Harbor Beach, son of the late Alexander and Edith (Gerstenschlager) Burkhard. He married Angeline Hessling on September 5, 1953 in Detroit. They celebrated 50 years of marriage in September of 2003. Mr. Burkhard was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus and the Ugly Fox Hunter's Club. He served two years on the Bad Axe City Council. He also served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He enjoyed woodworking, hunting, fishing, boating, and traveling. He was employed at McCall's Plumbing and Heating from 1956 until 1965 when he purchased the business from Howard McCall. The business then became Burkhard Plumbing and Heating. Harley owned and operated the business from 1965 until his retirement in 1992. He is survived by his wife, Angeline Burkhard, of Bad Axe; three sons, Michael Burkhard and his wife, Karen, of Bad Axe, Thomas Burkhard and his wife, Heather, of Bad Axe, and Harley D. Burkhard and his wife, Kathy, of Saginaw; five daughters, Cindy Maurer and her husband, Clem, of Bad Axe, Brenda Kennedy and her husband, Terry, of Bad Axe, Pamela Rivard and her husband, Larry, of Bad Axe, Deborah Rogers and her husband, Jim, of Ortonville, Darlene Candela and her husband, Joe, of Cass City; six brothers, Harold Burkhard and his wife, Dorothy, of Harbor Beach, Edwin Burkhard and his wife, Bernice, of Harbor Beach, Alex Burkhard, Jr. and his wife, Donna, of Harbor Beach, Leslie Burkhard and his wife, Dotty, of Harbor Beach, Delbert Burkhard and his wife, Grace, of Harbor Beach, Robert Burkhard and his wife, Betty, of Bad Axe; three sisters, Emily Smith and her husband, Jim, of Harbor Beach, Elaine LaBelle, of Marlette, Beverly Forstner, of Durand; 17 grandchildren, Eric and Tammy Burkhard, Kevin Maurer, Lauren and Ryan Burkhard, Jennifer, Justin and Joshua Kennedy, Rebecca, Christopher and Jaclyn Rivard, Matthew and Katelyn Rogers, Christine and Jonathan Burkhard, Joseph and Delanie Candela. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Patricia Burkhard; three grandchildren, Brian Burkhard, Jason Maurer and Jessica Rogers; two brothers, Roland and Carl Burkhard; one brother-in-law, Glen Forstner. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, December 29, 2003, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Fr. James Carlson will officiate. Visitation will be at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe from 1 to 9 p.m. today and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Monday. A Parish Scripture service will take place at 7 p.m. Sunday with a combined Knights of Columbus and Daughters of Isabella rosary at 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in the church cemetery.