

Thede, John C.

John C. "Jack" Thede, 72, of Sebewaing, died Tuesday morning, November 23, 2004, at his home following a brief illness. He was born December 19, 1931 in Bay City, son of the late Otto H. and Florence E. (Liken) Thede. He was united in marriage to Verna E. Diebel on April 14, 1952 in Sebewaing. She preceded him in death on September 24, 1989. Jack had been employed at the Sebewaing Brewing Company, the Michigan Sugar Company in Sebewaing and later at Bay City Chevrolet for 28 years before retiring in 1993. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, the Sebewaing V.F.W. Post #4115, the Sebewaing American Legion Post #293, and the National Turkey Federation. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Surviving are three daughters, Sandra E. Irion and her husband, Tim, of Sebewaing, Kathie L. Kuhl and her husband, Rodney, of Chesaning, Patti A. Gremel and her husband, Steve, of Bay Port; daughter-in-law, Donna L. (Bach) Thede, of Bay Port; 12 grandchildren; one brother, William B. Thede and his wife, Karen, of Harbor Beach; three nephews; two nieces and special friend, Mabel Herman, of Sebewaing. He was preceded in death by one son, Michael J. Thede, on July 8, 2004. The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 26, 2004, at Immanuel Lutheran Church. The Rev. Daniel Hahn will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. today, and from 3 to 9 p.m. on Thursday at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. He will lie in state from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Friday at the church. There will be a military graveside committal service conducted at the cemetery under the auspices of the Sebewaing V. F. W. Post #4115 and the Sebewaing American Legion Post #293. Memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, American Cancer Society, Heartland Hospice, or the charity of the donor's choice.