

Lawitzke, Howard H.

Mr. Lawitzke, 77, of Bay City, passed away on Sunday, June 21, 2009 at Bay Medical Care Facility.

He was born in Port Hope on Oct. 11, 1931 to the late Herman and Minnie (Eggert) Lawitzke. Howard served with the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He retired after 37 years from Consumers Power Co and was a member and former treasurer of the Wonder Watts retiree club. He was a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church and served for many years as an elder. While at Sheffield Bay, he enjoyed being a member of the Men's Club.

On Sept. 3, 1959, he married the former Janice P. Bracher at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bay City and she preceded him in death on Oct. 2, 1992.

He is survived by two children, Karen (Daniel) Rouse and John (Lisa) Lawitzke, two grandchildren, Rebecca and James Rouse; a brother, Norman (Janice) Lawitzke; and a sister, Rachel (Donald) Bates.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday June 25, 2009 at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. The Rev. Carl F. Trosien will officiate with burial following in Elm Lawn Cemetery. Military Rites will be under the direction of the Bay County Veterans Council.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at Penzien-Steele Funeral Home, Bay City. He will lie in state from 10 a.m. until service time on Thursday at the church.

Memorial contributions can be made to Pilgrim Lutheran Church.