Maurer, Norman S.

Norman S. Maurer, 88, of Ubly, passed away Saturday, July 15, 2006, at his residence under hospice care. Norman was born February 14, 1918 in Verona Township to the late Peter and Mary (Murray) Maurer. He married Lorraine Murray on May 28, 1949 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Argyle. She preceded him in death on January 15, 1980. He married Mary Lou Murdock on October 25, 1986 at Most Holy Trinity Church of Smith Corners. He attended the Martin Country School and was a graduate of Bad Axe High School. He was a veteran of WWII. He was a member of T.V.O. NO. 1 where he was a past commander. He farmed in Verona and Bingham Townships. He worked for Maurer Slaughter House for ten years. He was a lifelong member of Most Holy Trinity Church where he sat on the parish council; he was a member of the Holy Name Society and the Cemetery Board. He was a 4-H leader. He enjoyed golf, traveling, watching and feeding birds. Norman is survived by his wife, Mary Lou (Murdock) Maurer, of Ubly; three sons, Brian Maurer and his wife, Betty, of Crystal Falls, Douglas Maurer and his wife, Jan, of Ubly, Terry Maurer and his wife, Sheryl, of Ubly; one daughter, Paula Maurer-Westbrook and her husband, Ross, of Williamston; seven step-children, Carl Murdock, of Mount Pleasant, Bill Murdock and his wife, Shelly, of Bethal, Alaska, JayeDee Nichols and her husband, Steve, of Grayling, Steve Murdock and his wife, Theresa, of Ubly, Vicki LaBuhn and her husband, Steve, of Ubly, Marge Murdock of Ubly and Carrie Mayworm and her husband, Mark, of Elkton: 14 grandchildren, Christine Holdwick and her husband, Todd, Dan Maurer and his wife, Melanie, Dave Maurer and his wife, Rhonda, Andrew Maurer, Jessica Maurer, Jessica Geiger, Jason Murdock, Serena Murdock, Josh Nichols, Charlie Nichols, Patrick Murdock, Megan Murdock, Shelby LaBuhn and Eric LaBuhn; nine great grandchildren; and one sister, Petty Platko, of Saginaw. He was preceded in death by one step-grandson, Matthew LaBuhn; two brothers, Bernard and Donald Maurer; three sisters, Helen Maurer, Eleanor Maurer, and Phoebe Pankhurst. A Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2006, at Most Holy Trinity Church in Smith Corners. The Rev. James Carlson, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery with graveside military honors by T.V.O. No. 1. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly, and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the church only. There will be a parish vigil service at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday.