

Hellman, Leonard C.

Leonard C. Hellman, 80, of Caseville, died of heart failure Sunday, April 24, 2005, at Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe. Leonard was born November 4, 1924 in Bessemer to the late Victor and Mae (Holappa) Hellman. He attended Bessemer Schools until moving to Detroit and working at Vickers. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and spent eight months as a prisoner of war being held by the Germans. He was awarded a Silver Star for his time in the service. After the war, Leonard returned home and married Shirley A. Liljegren on June 22, 1946 in Detroit. They moved to Royal Oak and raised a family there while Leonard worked for Michigan Bell, eventually retiring in 1982. Upon retirement, Leonard moved permanently to Caseville. He was a past president of the Caseville Eagles, a life member of the Sebewaing VFW and the Royal Oak Elks, and a member of the Port Austin American Legion and Caro Moose Lodge. Leonard is survived by his wife, Shirley; son, Randall and his wife, Beverly, of Denver, Colorado; daughter, Ruthann McGill, of Caseville; and grandsons, Mark Hellman, of Denver, Scott McGill, of Oxford, and Matthew McGill and his friend, Janine, of Grand Blanc. He was preceded in death by his sister, Margorie; and step-sisters, Faith and Joy. A memorial service will take place at noon on Thursday, April 28, 2005, at the Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville, followed by military honors provided by the Sebewaing VFW. Visitation will start at 11 a.m. on Thursday at the funeral home. Donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be shared online at www.cfcCaseville.com.